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New Presidency Heads S.F. Stake

New leaders of the San Francisco Stake, sustained at the recent Stake Conference are, from left, front row, Willard B. Barton, first counselor; Irven G. Derrick, president, and M. Dale Ensign, second counselor; back row, Evan C. Ray, stake clerk, and Frank W. Heiss, assistant stake clerk.

Irven Derrick Successor To Serge Lauper

The Stake presidency was re-organized under the direction of Elders Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve, and Alma Sonne, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve, at the San Francisco Stake Quarterly Conference held Sunday, October 4. President Henry D. Moyle of the First Presidency was also present.

Sustained as president of the stake was Irven Glade Derrick, of 408 Skyline Drive, Daly City, with Willard B. Barton of Daly City, first counselor, and Milton Ensign of Daly City second counselor. Evan C. Ray was retained as stake clerk, Frank W. Hiess, as assistant Clerk.

They succeeded President Serge J. Lauper, and his counselors Wallace N. Allred and H. Herman Schettler, who were released with a heartfelt vote of thanks.

President Derrick was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, son of Hyrum H. and Margaret Glade Derrick. He attended L. D. S. High School. He married Eva Peterson of Smithfield in the Logan Temple. They have four children and two grandchildren.

With AP

President Derrick has been with the Associated Press since 1931. He began at the Salt Lake City office; worked at Phoenix, Arizona and Atlanta, Georgia, and is now Traffic Bureau Chief with the San Francisco office.

His church offices have included president of the Atlanta Branch, counselor in the Georgia District Presidency and a member of the high council of the Atlanta and San Francisco stakes.

President Barton, 81 Carlton St., Daly City, was serving as bishop of Balboa ward when called to the stake presidency. He was born at Ogden and married Catherine Jean Patton of Salt Lake City in the Salt Lake Temple. They have five children.

He attended the University of New Mexico, and is assistant branch secretary of the San Francisco office of the London and Lancashire Insurance Company. He served as a missionary in the East Central States.

President Ensign was born in Stockton, California. He received his LLB degree at University of Utah. He married Joyce Murdock of Salt Lake City in the Salt Lake Temple and has three children. He served in the Swedish Mission, and was a president of the 222nd Quorum of Seventy and San Francisco stake mission president when called to the stake presidency.

He is legal advisor to the Marketing Department of Standard Oil Company of California.

President Serge J. Lauper, who was released, was sustained and set apart as the Stake Patriarch of San Francisco Stake.

Berkeley Second

Elder Hopkins New Missionary

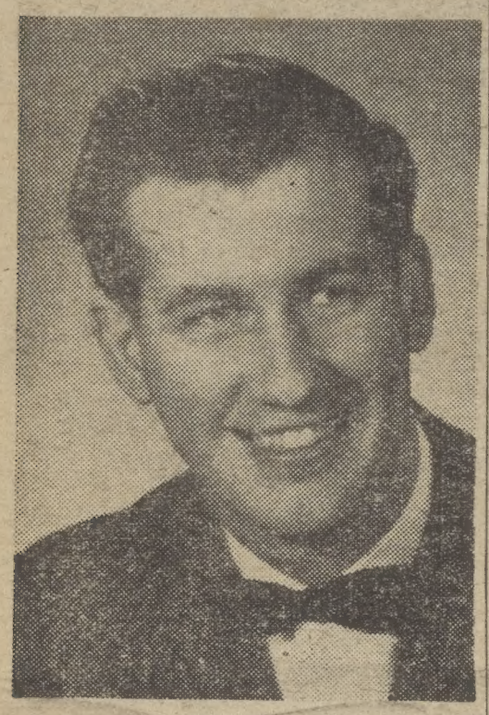
A farewell testimonial meeting will be held in the Berkeley chapel Sunday, Nov. 8 at 7 p.m. honoring Elder Arthur L. "Bud" Hopkins, who has been called to the Great Lakes Mission.

He is the son of Grace D. and Arthur L. Hopkins, who will accompany him to Salt Lake City where he will enter the Mission Home November 16. The senior Arthur L. Hopkins, a counselor in the High Priests Presidency of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake, is a former bishop of the Richmond Ward.

Elder Hopkins, a graduate of El Cerrito High School, attended Contra Costa Junior College and the Brigham Young University. For the past two years he has been working with his father, a plumbing and heating contractor. "Bud" has been serving as secretary in the Berkeley Second Ward YMMIA.

Speakers at the service for the departing missionary will be President W. Glenn Harmon, Bishop J. Ward Green and Elder Thomas H. Green, returned missionary. Musical numbers wil consist of an organ solo by Bud's sister, Ina H. Speer, and a vocal solo by Dolores Roberts. The invocation and benediction will be offered by Mark Hopkins and George P. Speer.

A reception will be held in the Recreation Hall following the meeting.

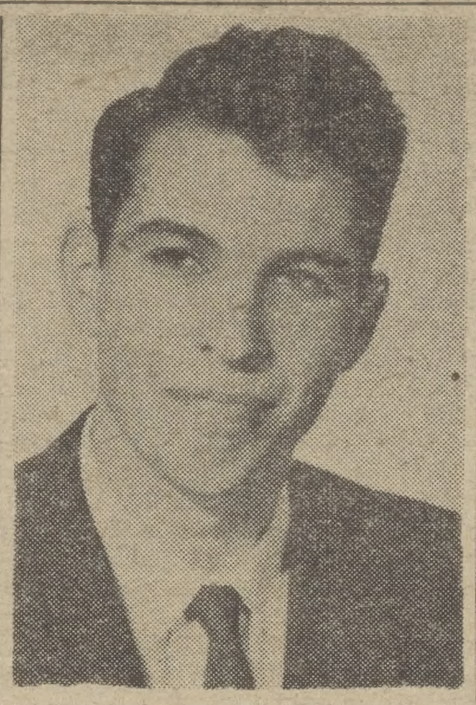


ELDER ARTHUR L. HOPKINS

Small Child's Testimony Heard

"I want to bear my testimony but I don't know what to say." These simple words came from a tiny child in the Junior Sunday School of the Los Altos Ward on fast Sunday, October 4th. Later in the day at general Sacrament meeting, an adult commented on the sincerity and spiritual urge that prompted the child's testimony — adding that the spirit behind a testimony can be more important than the words used in expressing it.

Subsequent comments from ward members indicated that, although the child's testimony was the briefest and simplest of those given that day, it was also impressive and perhaps the one most likely to be remembered.



Elder Richard A. Suico, on his way to mission in Brazil.

Centerville Ward

Elder Suico On His Way To Brazil Mission

By Gladys M. Clayson

Elder Richard A. Suico of Centerville Ward is on his way to the Brazilian Mission following a farewell held at the ward Sunday, Oct.. 18 and his briefing in the Mission Home in Salt Lake City, which he entered Oct. 21.

Richard, the son of Josephine L. Suico, Irvington, gave his farewell remarks before a large crowd at the farewell and greeted his friends later in the recreation hall at an informal social.

He was graduated from Washington High School in 1957 and has attended one year at Brigham Young University, where he started a major in psychology.

He has been second counselor in the Sunday School superintendency. After his mission he hopes to tour the Latin-American countries before his return home when he plans to go to San Jose State College before resuming his studies at the B. Y. U.

As a hobby Elder Suico collects military antiques and paints military figurines. He has collected figurines from all parts of the United States and various parts of the world and these represent different wars. He also collects guns and is an avid admirer of light opera and stage productions.

Adult Fireside

The Adult Fireside is now going strong in the ward. We had a successful gathering at the home of George and Pat McNeil. Richard Stam and his wife Joan were our guests; Richard showed his slides from his mission in Holland and Joan sang. Also we saw the beautiful organ Brother McNeil built.

Boy Scout Troop 160 from the Centerville ward went on an outing Oct. 10. Harold Clayson and his assistant Richard Fulkerson were the leaders and eighteen boys attended. They cooked their food, hiked and made rope.

Primary "Fundalay" party for the Blazers, Trekkers and Guides

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Sacred Grove, Pageant And Mormon Trail Inspiring To San Lorenzo Speech Champion

Editor's note: Bill Hartley, 17, a Priest in San Lorenzo First Ward, Hayward Stake, was awarded a trip to the Hill Cumorah as winner of the Seminary speech contest for more than 550 Bay Area Students. He is student body president of Arroyo high school and a member of the California Scholastic Federation. He was one of six to represent his school at the Civil Liberties conference in Asilomar.

Bill, who was the first boy in his ward to receive the "Duty to God" award in Scouting, plans to attend Brigham Young University upon graduation next June and hopes someday to receive a call to the Mission field. His impressions of his trip follow:

The sky was overcast and during the night some rain had fallen. As drops of water fell on the group assembled in the Sacred Grove for a Fast and Testimony Meeting. I enjoyed with 38 others, a spirit similar to that which I had experienced in the Los Angeles Temple. We had traveled by bus for 17 days seeing the United States, studying Church history and generally having a good time.

Now we had reached the high point of our trip, the opportunity to meet in the place where the Lord had spoken with the Prophet Joseph Smith and the message of the restoration of the Gospel was received.

We all felt the sweet spirit that was there. No one complained about the cold or the early hour. Our five leaders first stood before us and expressed their testimonies, then one by one the young people were inspired to stand before the group and tell of individual experience which had made them appreciate their blessings.

The young people were from Utah and I was the only "foreigner." Some of them had never had the strength to speak before a group, yet the spirit was such that personal fears were forgotten and our hearts were filled with love.

This meeting meant a lot to me because it helped me to understand my fellow travelers better. Just before the trip began I stayed a week in Utah and this was my first opportunity to find out what Mormon communities were really like. I felt that those who had been raised in these communities were missing something which we had in our "Gentile" country. It seemed to me that in Utah Mormonism was habit rather than

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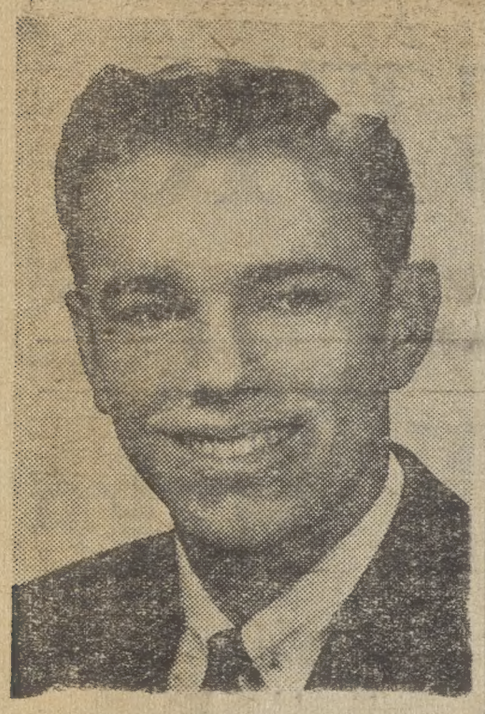

ELDER JAMES OHRAN

San Mateo Second

James W. Ohran To S. America

By Gladys Lemon

A Farewell Testimonial was held on October 18th for Elder James Wallace Ohran of the San Mateo Second Ward who has been called by the First Presidency to the Uruguayan Mission. Jim, a son of Wallace and Maurine Ohran, entered the mission home on Oct. 26, and left by Pan American from New York on November 4.

A graduate of Carlmont High School in Belmont. Jim attended the Brigham Young University for one year and then transferred to Menlo College for his second year. His goal in school was aimed at a structural engineering degree, and he has always been active in the sports program of the schools in which he was enrolled.

An active and faithful member of the Church, Jim is also the grandson of Church pioneers on the Peninsula, Charles and Bertha Ohran. The first Church meetings on the Peninsula were held in the Ohran home, his grandfather being Branch President for many years.

Jim has a brother Richard and sister Linda who are attending schools in Belmont. His father, Wallace, is active in the Elders Quorum, and Maurine, his mother, is Primary President. A capacity crowd filled the Chapel as Ward Members enjoyed a spiritual service and joined in prayers and good wishes for the young Elder. Jim's address will be Brito-del Pino. 1525 Montevideo, Uruguay.

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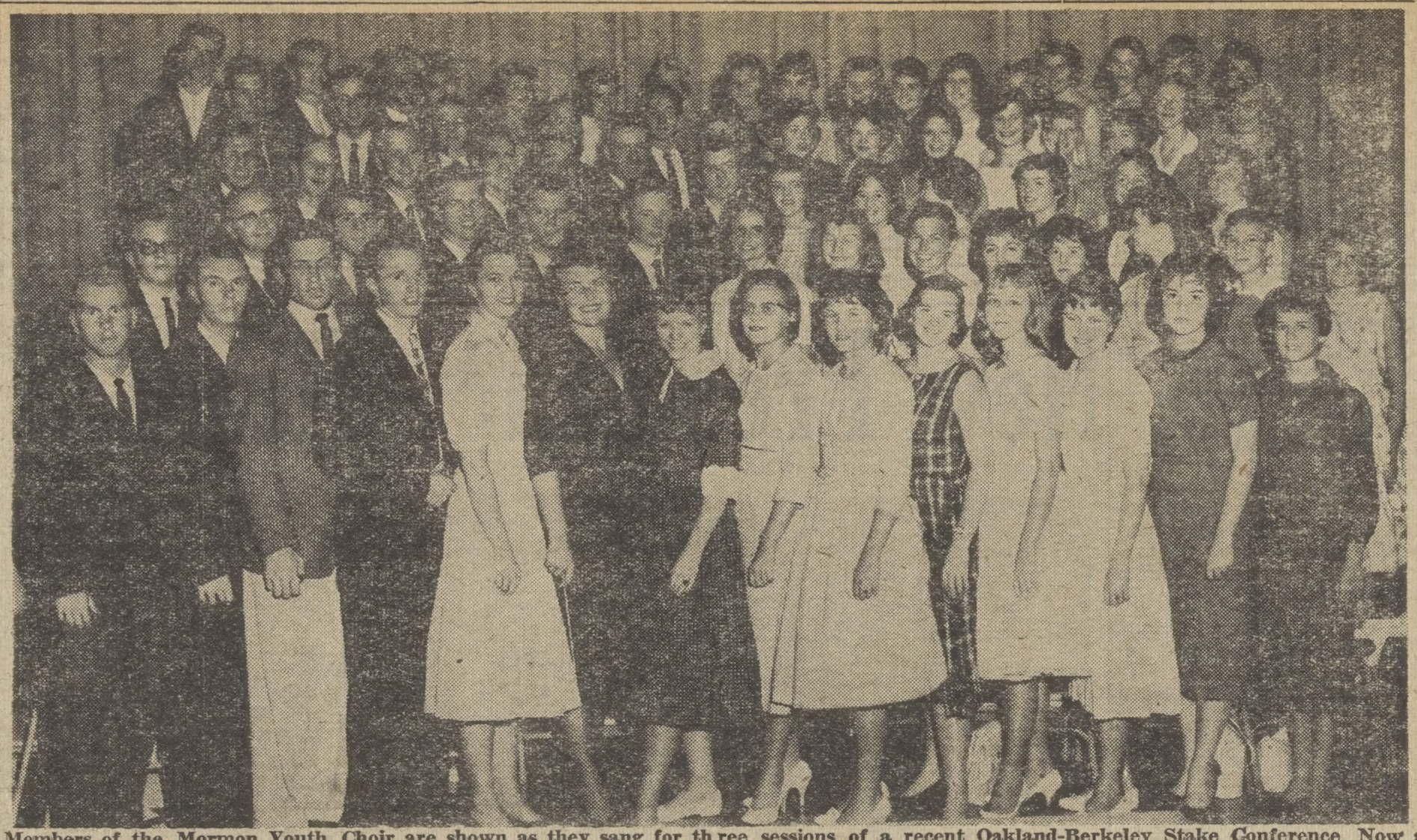

Members of the Mormon Youth Choir are shown as they sang for three sessions of a recent Oakland-Berkeley Stake Conference. Now a permanent organization named the Mormon Youth Choir of the Bay Area by vote of the members on Oct. 11, the choir is preparing to sing for stake conference on Nov. 22 and for two performances of Handel's Messiah, in San Jose Dec. 12 and in the Interstake Center, Oakland, Dec. 19. For these presetations the choir will combine with young people rom eight other stakes—San Mateo, San Francisco, San Jose, Palo Alto, Santa Rosa, Monterey Bay, Walnut Creek and Hayward. Verna Johnson is choir director and Brother and Sister Clyde Russell are directing choir activities; many others are assisting in other ways. —Photo by Doug Paulson.

Redwood City Ward

Relief Society Social Is Gay

"Your Oriental Evening" proved to be a happy theme for the opening social of the Redwood City Relief Society held Thursday, October 1. The ladies out for their Oriental evening were met at the door by hostesses in kimonos and grease paint, who bowed and hissed and handed the arriving guests Chinese hats and tiny paper parasols and seated them beneath colorful Chinese lanterns for an equally colorful program.

Jerry Harding, who had recently returned from a two year stay in Japan, told amusing incidents of her life there with her three small children and her husband, a Pan-American employee. They attended church services regularly at the military post, but found it inspiring to attend also the Japanese LDS church where the familiar hymns as well as the rest of the service were in Japanese.

The second half of the program consisted of a skit honoring Vida Ross, the retiring Relief Society President. The skit depicted Vida in the throes of her presidential duties. As a token of thanks she was given a book and a Relief Society membership pin. Ruby Elwood, retiring first counsellor, also received a membership pin. Two solos by Pat Clauson rounded off the program, and Heavenly Hash and punch rounded off the evening.

Oakland Second

Elder Kaek Says Mission Built His Testimony

By Janeth Doxey

Eugene Kaeck, a convert to the Church of less than two years before he was called to labor in the Great Lakes Mission, gave an inspirational talk before members of the Oakland Second Ward at a recent Sunday evening meeting. Much of his time, said Elder Kaeck, was spent in Indiana and Ohio.

"While on my mission I gained a strong testimony of the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ," said Elder Kaeck. "I realize how fortunate are we of the Church to have the gospel in the latter days." He continued:

"While in Columbus, Ohio, I administered to a lady, in the Doctors' Hospital, who had been operated on four times previously. I found later that she had become inactive and was associated with another church because she doubted the authority of the Priesthood. I was transferred before I knew the outcome of her condition. The doctors said she wouldn't live over the weekend. A year later, I was attending a conference and asked one of the elders, who had labored in Cleveland where the lady was originally from, how the lady was who was operated on when I left. Elder Brown said that she had recovered to the amazement of all the doctors, and she is now very active in the Cleveland Branch of th Church, and has a strong testimony.

Job Experience

Of all the wonderful experiences I have had, I believe my last day in the Mission Home in Fort Wayne was outstanding. All of us who were leaving the mission had a frewell and testimony meeting. As each missionary spoke, there was expressed a feeling of sadness to leave the mission.

One elder got up and said he wasn't sad at all, but that he was happy because he had honorably fulfilled his mission, which he said was another stage in his eternal progression and he felt the Lord had other things for him to do and his mission was by no means over. There are families to raise and more great callings to look forward to in the church. I left the mission September 11, 1959 with many memories and friends and now I look forward to my future in serving the Lord.

Honored at Party

Horace and Inez McFarlane were honored at a party given on Oct. 28 in the Oakland Second Ward.

Brother McFarlane has retired from the Southern Pacific Railroad and they are moving back to Utah. Their many friends gathered to bid them farewell.

Brother McFarlane has been a high council member in the old Oakland Stake and has held that position in the Hayward Stake since it was organized. Sister McFarlane has been a Sunday School teacher and they both have given many years of service to the Church.

New Members

We wish to welcome into our ward William Whiteside and family. Brother Whiteside is an agency manager for the New England Life Insurance Company. Also, we wish to welcome Marian Kurtz who is teaching in the Young Women's Mutual, and Sheldon Lamar Clark who has been called to serve in the Sunday School Superintendency.

Brother Pollock had suffered a stroke and we wish him a speedy recovery. Sister Pollock suffered a stroke earlier and is still in the hospital.

We were sorry to learn of Edward Jackson's death. Funeral services were held Oct. 9. Edward was the father of Gifford Jackson and Edna Burke of Alameda. Lovinia Jackson, Edward's wife, has been ill and we wish her a speedy recovery.

We are proud of the girls in our ward who have received Individual Awards — Kathie Nethercott, Audrey Darton, Coleen Baer, Joanne Rounds, Vickie Morris, Carolyn Dunn, Sandra Shaw, and Mary Ellen Ferera.

Relief Society

The Relief Society had a successful work day and luncheon on Oct. 13 honoring those who have had birthdays during the month. They did sewing, toy making and other things for the Ward Relief Society bazaar and carnival to be held Dec. 11.

We are happy to welcome our new full-time missionaries into our ward — Elder Douglas Foster and Paul Hanson.

Dates To Remember

Ward Conference Nov. 8. Ward Welfare Dinner Nov. 14.

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Walnut Creek Stake

Our Gospel 'Sell Itself' Elder Hanks Tells Conference

"Our Gospel doesn't need 'overselling;' it sells itself," Elder Marion D. Hanks, one of the presidents of the First Council of Seventy told theWalnut Creek Stake quarterly conference at the East Bay Interstake Center October 18.

"Know the Scriptures and you'll know the Gospel," he said and pointed out that a reader can go through the four standard works of the Church in 18 months by reading only three chapters a day.

During the morning session Elder Hanks dwelt on the brotherhood of all men as children of God. Through skillful use of reminiscences he demonstrated the appeal of the Gospel, presented simply and directly. At a Stake priesthood meeting at the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Hill Ward Chapel Saturday night he brought out the necessity for each one of us to render service for our own self- interest.

Welfare Program

Elder Leroy A. Wirthlin of the General Welfare Committee described the Church welfare program as established by Divine Revelation and the subject of much favorable comment outside Church circles for its successful operation. Faithful adherence to and support of the plan would enable every LDS group to tide itself over periods of unemployment, sickness, or other difficulty, he said.

Brother Wirthlin warned against burdensome debts and imprudent installment buying and recommended strict adherence to tithing and the welfare plan as remedies for living beyond our means.

Discipline Needed

Stake President Norman B. Creer spoke vigorously against "post hoc reasoning" that leads us to become complacent about gambling, whiskey (Men of Distinction), cigarets (Thinking Men), and other evils and branded such reasoning as "vicious." "We must learn to discipline ourselves continuously as good disciples," he said.

Dean Griddle, Stake Mission advisor and convert coordinator, announced that there have been 500 converts in the Walnut Creek Stake in the last four years, nearly 10 per cent of the average stake membership over the period, and urged all members to help integrate converts into the membership.

Donald Colvin, seminary representative, reported that approximately 50 per cent of the young people of seminary age in the stake are attending seminary.

Ward Teaching

President Kenneth D. Jensen, First Counselor in the Stake Presidency, urged more meticulous attention to preparation for and execution of ward teaching assignments, not only for statistical purposes, but to improve the quality of ward teaching and support of the missionaries.

President Joseph R. Hilton, Second Counselor, reported on "some 90 per cent statistics" given to the recent General Church Conference by Apostle Mark E. Petersen. One was bad, one good.

Ninety per cent of teen-age marriages end in divorce, President President Hilton quoted and cited a number of contributing factors. On the other hand 90 per cent of marriages of seminary graduates to seminary graduates are temple marriages, he said.

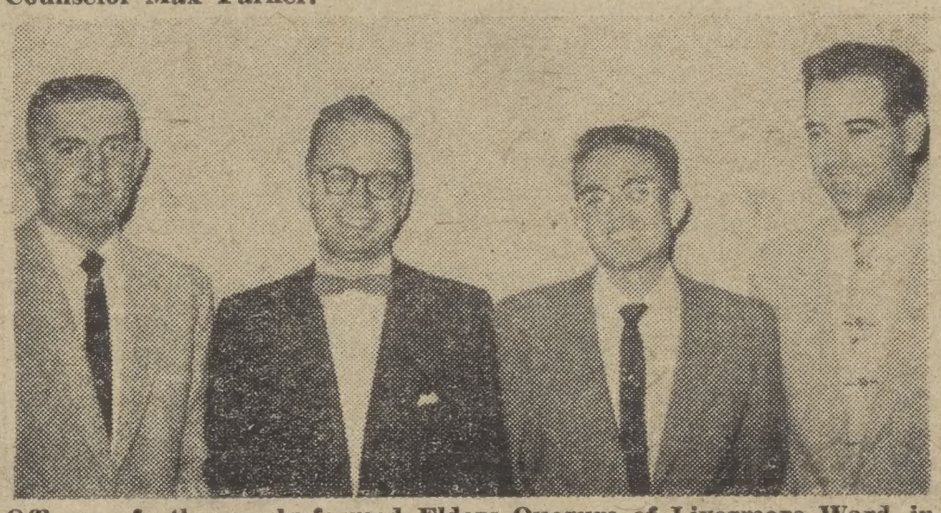
Great Obstacles

M Taylor Abegg attacked procrastination as great obstacles to individual effectiveness in the Church and pleaded the familiar adage that those who would lead must first learn to follow.

On the same theme, Leroy H. Poll recited that most boys who fall into inactivity are sons of inactive fathers and asked for efforts on the part of all to "help the boys be active."

Music was furnished by the combined choirs of the Concord Wards. Congregational singing was directed by Nico D. Snel.

Glen J. Behling, center, new second counselor in Livermore Ward Bishopric, is shown with Bishop Andrew Gardner, right, and First Counselor Max Parker.



Officers of the newly-formed Elders Quorum of Livermore Ward include, from left, Donald Reeves, first counselor; Monte Hickenlooper, president; Bill Silver, second counselor, and Graham Shaw, secretary.

Livermore Ward

Campaign Launched To Get Funds for Ward Chapel

By Virginia Badger

The 20 new families which came into the Livermore Ward this fall, bringing the total number to 140 and a membership of 445, point up a prime need of the ward - - a chapel. Meeting facilities, it is pointed out by the bishop, are grossly inadequate.

The ward has $12,000 on hand in land and cash and needs $50,000 — one third of the building cost — before ground can be broken.

A building fund kick-off banquet was given Oct. 9 at the Junction Avenue School. John B. Cahoon Jr. said that if each family gave $7 a month a chapel could be started in three years. Wilford T. Webb, senior member of the Stake High Council, declared that "we are building a house for the Lord, and this is our work."

Gale Holladay was chairman of the event, attended by 140. Appetizers were served during the social hour, then turkey and trimmings, with the Wilford T. Webbs as chefs, were served. The program with Larry McGrew as chairman was emceed by Keith Reid; James Davis led songs with Patricia Holladay as accompanist. Keith Gardner played a trumpet solo with sister Kayleen as accompanist, Doris Shaw sang, Marilyn McGrew gave a reading and Shirley Moore and James Davis played a piano duet.

Reid Farewell

This dinner also was a farewell for Keith and Lela Reid. Brother Reid who has been second counselor in the Bishopric, received a job transfer to Brigham City, Utah. First counselor in the Bishopric, Max Parker, presented to Keith in behalf of the Bishopric, Tom Ferguson's book "One Fold, One Shepard." Lela was given an everlasting corsage.

Brother Glen J. Behling replaces Keith as second counselor. He and his family are from Pasco, Washington, where he was first counselor in the Richland Stake Presidency.

More evidence of the growth of Livermore Ward occured Sept. 20 when the Elders Group became a quorum. Monte Hickenlooper is the new president, with Don Reeves, first counselor, Bill Silver, second counselor, and Graham Shaw, secretary. Their immediate aim is to see that the three standing committees — Temporal, Spiritual and Fact Finding, are organized.

Pancake Brunch

A Pancake Brunch was enjoyed by 40 ladies attending the opening social of the Relief Society, held Sept. 29 on the covered patio at the home of Virginia Badger. After a welcome from President Sue Hickenlooper, Pat Stowell conducted a get-acquainted game. A review of the year to come was given by each teacher. Co-chairmen were June French and Gwenn Webb who flipped dollar-size pancakes with Leona Webb. Others helping included Lorraine Simons, Doris Shaw, Cleone Parker, Pat Stowell, Jane Davis, Earlene Clement, Norma Franks, and Chiq Harthun.

Pat Stowell is the new work counselor, and Gertrude Nelson the new theology teacher.

New Chairs

Twelve chairs have been obtained for the Sunday School nursery class. Marshall Irhig is the new geneology teacher; Virginia Badger will teach the six year olds.

Fifteen primary officers and teachers held a luncheon for Lela Reid Oct. 15 at the home of Norma Franks, first counselor. President Marge Thomas presented Lela with her five year Primary pin and tribute was paid to her for all the work she had done in the primary during her three year stay in Livermore.

New primary teachers include Beverly Behling. Blazers; Loa Ann Hare, Co-pilots; and Lois Franklin, Rainbows.

A baby shower was held for Lela Reid, Oct. 16, at the home of Virginia Badger. Others giving the party included Cleone Parker, Sylvia Wardell, Lorraine Simons, and Patricia Holladay. The 30 ladies enjoyed apple pie and ice cream, and games conducted by Cleone Parker. Lela received many lovely gifts.

Musicians From 8 Stakes Sought For The 'Messiah'

Vocal Soloists and instrumentalists are now being selected for the largest Church production of Handel's Messiah yet held in Northern California, according to R. Whitney Groo, producer. The MIA District A presentation will be December 12 in San Jose and December 19 in Oakland.

A 300 voice chorus combined from 8 stakes will sing under the baton of Verna Johnson, MIA Division 12 Youth Chorus Director. An orchestra of selected musicians of the Bay Stakes will be directed by Ronald "Bud" Stone of Oakland-Berkeley Stake. Assistant Production Manager Clyde Russell, announces that local production staffs are being formed in the host stakes.

Instrumentalists are invited to auditions to be held at the Interstake Center in Oakland on Monday nights at 7 p.m. beginning November 2. Interested vocalists may arrange for tryouts through their stake music directors.

ELDER ORVAL OSTLER
—Photo by Al Scheuller.

Elder Ostler Counselor In Hayward Stake

By Nell Smith

Highlight of the recent Hayward Stake Quarterly Conference was the appointment of Elder Orval L. Ostler as second counselor to President Milton P. Ream of the Hayward Stake presidency. He succeeds Elder Francis B. Winkel.

Elder Ostler, a native of Spring Canyon, Utah, attended Brigham Young University before entering the U. S. Coast Guard in which he served three and one half years. He is a graduate of the Golden Gate College in San Francisco with an A. B. degree in Business Administration and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Always a devoted Church worker, the new counselor has been a bishop of both Hayward and San Lorenzo wards, a Stake High Councilman and has held positions of Elders' quorum president, Aaronic priesthood coordinator and Sunday School superintendent.

The Ostler family recently became members of the Castro Valley Ward. Sister Ostler is the former Cleoma McGee. They were married in the Salt Lake Temple and are the parents of five children, Alyce, William, Mark, Nancy and Ruth. Elder Ostler was ordained to his new office by Apostle Mark E. Petersen. A. Gifford Jackson is the other counselor in the Stake presidency.

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Palo Alto Stake Explorers In Visit To Ames Laboratory

By Carol Dunham Gibson

The Palo Alto Stake Explorers were guests of the National Aeronautic and Space Administration at Ames Research Center, Moffett Feild. Oct. 16. The boys and their leaders visited many impressive scientific installations, including a wind tunnel for testing full scale airplanes, the "Unitary" wind tunnel for testing models at speeds up to three and one half times the velocity of sound, and a transonic fourteen foot wind tunnel.

Some of the boys were allowed to walk around inside the tremendous full scale tunnel which has a test section at its smallest point of forty feet by eighty feet and appeared to be large enough to have several football games at once. This tunnel requires 36,000 horsepower to run. A vertical type airplane was being tested in this large tunnel.

Many experimental aircraft were also viewed at very close range by the boys, including some of the latest jets. All of these facilities were explained by George Holdaway and Lee Jorgensen who are active members of the Church and hold responsible positions as project engineers at Ames Laboratory. Some of the steps leading to space exploration were described by these brethren. The training necessary to work as an engineer, scientist, or technician at Ames were explained to the boys.

It was difficult to decide whether the boys or their adults companions had a more enjoyable time. Arvin Gibson is Palo Alto Stake Explorer leader.

A splashing good time was had by members of the Seventh Quorum of Elders and their families and friends at Napa Valley outing.

San Lorenzo Ward

Halloween Fun In Spook Alley

By Virginia Ringwood

The MIA and Primary combined, sponsored a ward family Hallowee party at the church Oct. 30. All those attending entered through 'Spook Alley' and spent an evening of fun including games for all ages, a costume parade with prizes and refreshments.

Other Halloween celebrations included a Primary costume party during Primary Oct. 29 and a costume party at Florence Galbraith's home for the six and seven year old youngsters in her Sunday School Class.

An opening social was held by the Relief Society recently with Elaine Hulme conducting. The program included songs by Elaine Romer and games. The officers and teachers of the Relief Society provided the luncheon, according to Betty Tillotson, president.

Changes in the Relief Society include Helen Casper as Second Counselor, replacing Melva Smith, and LaRue Miene as Work Director, replacing Helen Casper. Carol Pett is the social science teacher; Vernell Cheminant, pianist and June Ellenberg, chorister.

In a reorganization of the Mutual, Zola Berriman is new president and Ruth Ellefeson is age group counselor.

The new explorer leader for Post 635 is Brother Louis Cappmeyer.

A drive for the Children's Friend magazine is now underway and is under the direction of Winifred Hill.

A Gay Note welcome was recently celebrated at the church with the Blue Birds and Seagulls also in attendance. Judy Dewsnup was hostess. The group played games and enjoyed refreshments.

A Blazer welcome was also held on the lawn back of the church. The group, including the Treckkers, played games and were served refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberts are the proud parents of a baby girl born Oct. 9. The new addition weighed in at 6 lb., 9 oz. and was named Ida Lynn.

The Trading Post, located to the rea r of the chapel on Grant Ave., is open each Tuesday from 7 until 9 p.m. and offers merchandise at nominal savings. Items include green beans and corn by the case, honey, unground wheat, soaps and bleach and etc. For additional information phone Bishop Don Smith at Elgin 1-45778 or Betty Tillotson, Relief Society president at Eling 1-6109.

Brother John Howell has recently returned from the hospital following successful treatment for a B-B shot in one eye. Sister Lela Gauer is improving at home from an operation, and sister Zina Jesse is out of the hospital following a serious illness and has been able to return to the Senior Aaronic Priesthood school.

Bishop and Mrs. Don Smith flew to Salt Lake City and attended general conference.

Information has been received the Elder Eldon Speed has arrived at his destination of Lima, Peru, where he will serve in the mission field.

New members are invited to join Troop 635 according to Scoutmaster Max Luther. The group meets at the church each Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Rodeo Ward

Bazaar Held At Veterans' Hall

A bazaar and welfare dinner was held in the Veterans' Memorial Hall Oct. 23. This annual event was successful and well attended.

Calvin Atwood was released in October from his full-time mission. He labored in the Sacramento area and spent the last year of his mission in the Rodeo area. Elder Atwood was met here by his mother, Mrs. Eunice Atwood, his sister and brother, Revenna and Leslie Atwood and a friend, Robert Middleton. The family left two days later for their home in West Jordan, Utah.

Blaine and Gayle Lott were called to Lehi, Utah, recently, to attend funeral services for their father, B. D. Lott, who died following a prolonged illness. His home was in Chinook, Montana. The Lotts made the round trip via United Airlines.

Jim Becker was baptized in October by Jack Bingham in the Natized by her father, Louis Smith. Brother and Sister Smith and their children, Phil, Carl and Theresa motored to the Los Angeles Temple recently to receive their endowments.

Ken Baldwin has been made Activity Assistant in the YMMIA.

The Primary is busy at this time of the year, selling Christmas cards and wrappings. Primary officers and teachers can be contacted for sales.

"Luncheon is Served" was the theme of a recent luncheon held in the Veterans' Memorial Hall with a capacity crowd attending.

Pamela Casiston has returned to her classes following an appendectomy. Sister Esther Heller is confined to a hospital in San Francisco for treatment and observation.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Campbell and family of Fresno visited over a recent week-end with Mrs. Campbell's parents, the Marion Wanlasses.

Judy Wells, niece of the Herbert Wells' of Tormey, and a friend, Jeannie Baum of Burney, Calif., visited the Wells home recently. Miss Jerri Wanlass, who is teaching school in Burney, accompanied the other young ladies. She is the daughter of Brother and Sister Wanlass. On her return trip north, she stopped over to visit her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Severson of Sacramento.

Bay Ward

Elders, Friends Enjoy Outing

By Grace McElroy

Members of the Bay Ward Seventh Quorum of Elders, their families and friends had a record turnout for a day's outing in the Napa Valley. The Dr. Grant Elises of Berkeley First Ward kindly opened their St. Helena Home to the quorum.

Not far from Sam Brannan's historic Calistoga haunts, the Elders, their families and friends, more than 50 strong, swam, played, and sunned. The swimming pool was a hive of activity and Ron Christensen had his hands full refereeing a wild inter-quorum game of water polo. Gary Melville attempted to explain the rules of the game but after several dunkings gave up and followed the rougher style developed by Second Counselor Walter Carter and Bob Terry. Sunday School Superintendent Bob Dee showed some of the form that made him captain of the University of Utah swimming team during his undergraduate years, while off the diving board Quorum President Vince Jones, First Counselor Bay Haycock and John Smith showed no form whatsoever, tied for biggest splash of the day honors.

The bishopric was represented by Second Counselor Ron Horlacher. Ron, Steve Luke, Ray Jue, Paul Murdock, and Derrel Smith kept the ping-pong table hot with a series of games that featured smashing drives, long rallies and phenomenal serves. It appeared that Bill and Alice Rowe spent most of the day trying to keep their own sons and daughter in the shallow end of the pool.

The quorum secretary, Milford Conwell, recorded the day of fun on film and the pictures have been circulated at a subsequent quorum meeting. The water polo action shot and the group picture shown above were taken by Milford and Lillian Conwell.

After thanking Brother and Sister Ellis for their hospitality and thanking Shirlene Haycock and Laurine Jones for their outstanding job of organizing the picnic lunch, everyone returned to San Francisco with expectations of forthcoming Seventh Quorum Activities.

Baby Showers

Sisters Florence Pryor and Naomi Ogden hosted a baby shower for Margaret Majestic in October. The Jim Majestics are now the parents of their third son, born at Kaiser Foundation Hospital.

AF-Lt. Jon and Doris Fitt, formerly of Rodeo, now living in Middletown, Pennsylvania, are the parents of their second child and first daughter, born in September. The name Diane Kathleen was given her in her blessing. She has a two year old brother, John Michael, and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Lott of Rodeo and Bishop and Mrs. Cleon Fitt of Concord.

ALICE JEAN FENTON

San Mateo Second

Fenton-Harvey Wedding Date

By Gladys Lemmon

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Fenton on San Mateo Second Ward announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice Jean, to Donald Glenn Harvey of Blythe, California. The young couple plan on being married in the Los Angeles Temple on December 19 of the year.

Jean, a graduate of San Mateo High and Brigham Young University, is now employed as a secretary at Lenkurt Electric in San Carlos. While at the BYU, Jean majored in Business Education and plans to teach high school in Provo next year. She was a member of the Val Norn Social Unit. Jean has one sister, Joanne LeMay of San Mateo, and a brother, Charles who is at present fulfilling a mission in Mexico.

Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kindred E. Harvey of Blythe. A graduate of Palo Verde High School, he is now attending the BYU where he is majoring in accounting, and is chancellor of the Intercollegiate Knights, a service organization. Donald is a returned missionary from the Spanish-American Mission, 1954-56, and has four brothers, Alvin and Denzil of Blythe, Ray Harvey of Sunnyvale, and Lorel of Pasadena, and two sisters, Mrs. James Curry of Blythe, and Mrs. Emmet Dorough of Granada Hills.

They will make their home in Provo while he completes his education at the BYU.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Robert Baker of Estate Avenue, Pinole, are the proud parents of their first child, a baby boy. Sister Baker is the new secretary in the welfare.

Los Altos Ward

Senior Aaronic Has Best Team

With an average contribution of over 14 rolls of paper per active member, the Senior Aaronic members of the Los Altos Ward won the second paper-rolling contest. Conducted to help finance the welfare program. The contest, covering the months of July, August, and September, resulted in a total of 485 rolls weighing about 4½ tons. The sale value exceeds $150. Carefully rolled whole sheets of newspapers, in substantial quantities, are readily salable to florists, nurserymen, and other business outlets.

The ward's quorum of elders turned in exactly the same total number of rolls, 169, as the Senior Aaronic group but the number per active members was less. The competition was on an active-member basis. The high priests and seventies contributed substantial but smaller quantities of paper in the current contest. The high priests won the previous competition. The winners in these contests are treated to a social party by the losers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kent C. Croft, shown at their beautiful reception in Oakland Fourth Ward lounge and recreation hall. Mrs. Croft is the former Bonnie Bramwell.

Oakland Fourth Ward

Crofts Now Reside In Provo Following Marriage In Temple

Mr. and Mrs. Kent C. Croft are residing in Provo, Utah, where they are completing their education at Brigham Young University, following their marriage August 25 in the Los Angeles Temple.

Mrs. Croft, the former Bonnie Bramwell of the Oakland Fourth Ward, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Bramwell of Oakland and Kent is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Croft of Burley, Idaho.

Both are seniors at BYU and returned to the school after a short honeymoon at Carmel and Lake Tahoe.

Following the Temple ceremony the couple were honored at a luncheon given by Mrs. Carrie Ely of Los Angeles. Mrs. Ely is mother in law of the bride's sister. Jean Ely.

On August 28th a reception was held in the Oakland Fourth Ward chapel lounge recreation hall.

The bride wore a gown of silk organza cut with a basque waist. The bouffant skirt was caught up in a slight bustle above a chapel train. The bodice and skirt were beautifully detailed with imported chantilly lace. The finger tip illusion veil was held by a seed pearl tiara. The bride's bouquet of stephanotis was centered with a white orchid.

Mrs. Thora Bramwell, mother of the bride, wore a copper-tone lace dress and a white orchid. Mrs. Lulu Croft, mother of the bridegroom, chose a lace and crepe dress in teal blue, set off with a white orchid.

Mrs. Jean Ely, matron of honor, wore a lovely apricot shade silk chiffon dress with empire waistline and full skirt. The bridesmaids, Barbara Lewis, Dorothy Hurst and Carma Rollins, wore bouffant dresses in pale yellow silk organza. Each carried matching bouquets, blending beautifully with the fall color scheme.

Vicki and Ann Martin were in charge of the guest book. Tena and Jim Nackos acted as host and hostess as guests arrived.

Blaine Quanstrom acted as best man and Ray Ely, brother in law of the bride, served as usher. Each wore white dinner jackets, with black trousers, tie and cummerbund.

The lounge and recreation hall were decorated with a profusion of yellow and bronze chrysanthemums.

Castro Valley Ward

Bates' Message From Brazil

By Nell Smith

"Some know the Gospel is true the first time they hear it, because they have been searching for it." So writes Elder Lawrence Bates who has completed his first year of missionary labor in the Brazilian Mission.

He continues. "Some are converted only after a hard struggle with themselves. And many, of course, will not listen at all. One learns many things from the situations he encounters. We work hard, but we derive a lot of enjoyment from our labors, and feel that all our efforts are worth while if only one person can be brought to a knowledge of the true gospel."

Elder Bates, whose parents are Elder and Mrs. Lawrence N. Bates, 21031 Nunes avenue, Castro Valley, is presently located in Aracatuba, Brazil. He reports that now, in October, summer is coming, and it is very hot and sultry. This small city is a fine place to labor, as the people are friendly.

When he was in Santos, seaport for Sao Paulo, he wrote. "This city has many problems in the branch. For one thing, there are not enough men holding the priesthood to run things. It seems that there are about ten women and children to one man. As a consequence, we missionaries have many duties. We play the organ, lead the singing, then administer and pass the sacrament and finally, do the speaking.

"There are some fine people here, however. It is wonderful to see how the new members want to pay tithing. One little woman, not yet baptized, takes in sewing, and she said she wanted to pay tithing on her meager earnings.

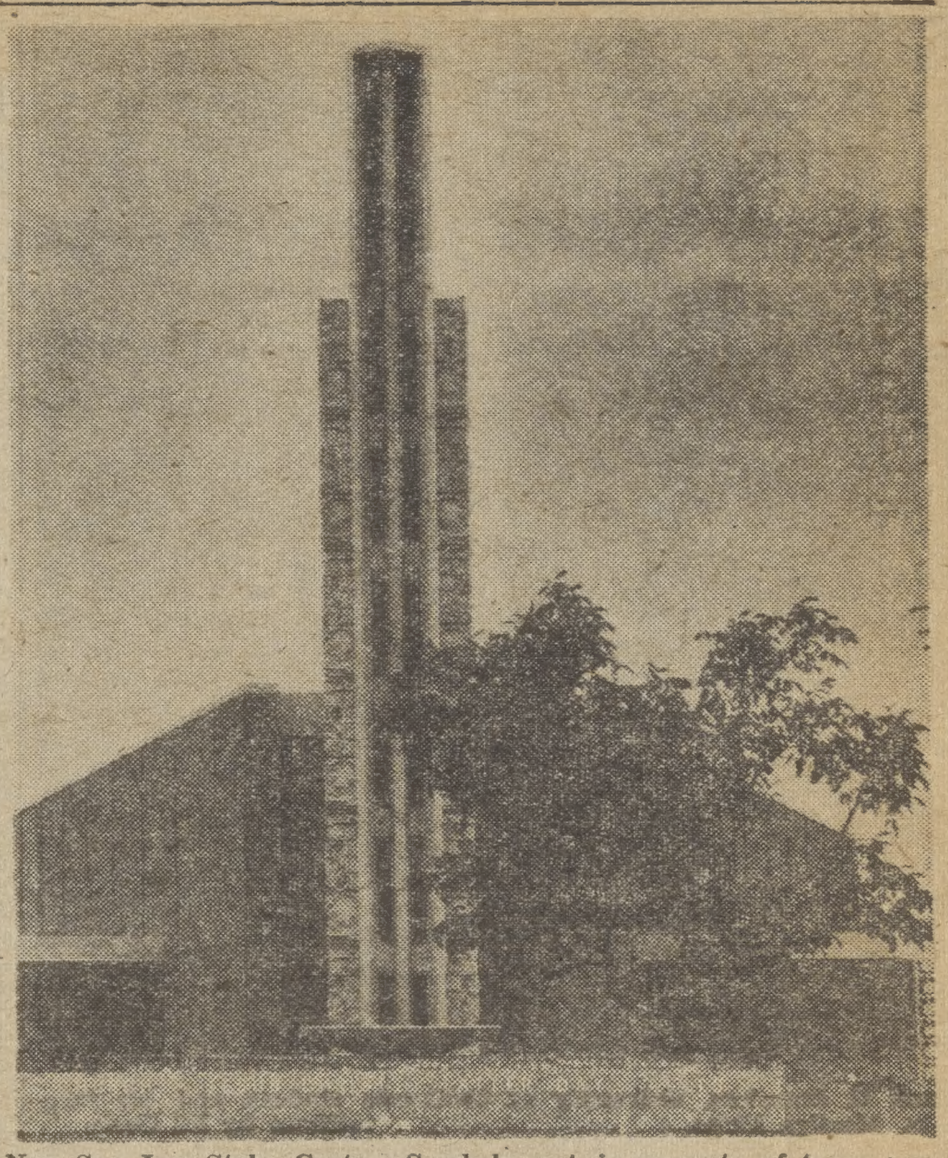
"We occasionally see off a missionary who is returning home, and when we go aboard the American ships, it sounds strange to hear all those people speaking English." (Elder Bates mastered Portugese for the performance of his mission.)

Juiz de Fora was Elder's first place to labor and from there he wrote, "Milk is delivered by horse-drawn wagon with a tank having a tap. Fruit vendors push small heavily-laden carts about the streets. There are also horse-drawn taxis in some places. Large department stores are rare, mostly there are small specialty shops. A fine hand-tooled leather briefcase can be bought for about $10 and an excellent haircut can be had for twenty cents!"

He says that the missionaries put in at least fifty hours a week contacting and in addition they have their branch duties to attend to. They have to study continually," knowledge is power on a mission as it is elsewhere."

"I love this work. There is a lot of satisfaction in it. But without prayer a missionary is lost. A person has to be humble to make much of a success of this work, so we try hard to become humble, but without God's help we are nothing."

Elder Bates is a graduate of local high schools and had completed two years at B. Y. U. at the time of his call to serve in Brazil.



New San Jose Stake Center. Symbols cast in concrete of tower represent the Tree of Life, the Celestial, Telestial and Terrestrial Kingdoms, and glyphs indicate the time that has elapsed since the birth of Christ until the erection of the building. Architect was Dean Leslie Price of Los Gatos ward.

San Jose Stake's Center Dedicated By Elder Moyle

By Samuel W. Taylor

Dedication services for the new San Jose Stake Center were held Sunday, October 4, with Elder Henry D. Moyle of the First Presidency delivering the dedicatory address and prayer.

The building, with its dramatic steeple, was built at a cost of $698,287.71, and contains 28,000 square feet of floor space. Chapel, foyer and recreation hall seat 2,000. It is situated in a beautifully landscaped area of four and a half acres that provides parking for 300 cars.

22 Classrooms

The building has 22 classrooms, and is designed for many functions. In adition to stake activities, it serves as a chapel for two wards, the Second and Fourth.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held on July 24, 1959, with Spencer W. Kimball of the Council of the Twelve in attendance.

While only three years were required to erect the structure, they were busy years; and many previous years of preparation were required. There were pot-luck suppers, chain dinners, pledges, wages from working in the local cannery. Harvest from the property itself, originally a walnut orchard, helped with the building fund.

Home Built

Perhaps the most dramatic fund-raising venture was the "Centennial Home," built to commemorate the arrival of the Mormon Pioneers in the Salt Lake Valley. It was built and furnished largely by donated labor and materials, then sold for $24,650.

A heart patient earned $75 for the building fund through baby-sitting. An elder raised chickens for dinners that realized $400. A half-acre of land was donated for the raising of beans. Several wards sold Christmas trees. The Primary children held a carnival and contributed $100. Everybody helped.

Completion of the new building symbolizes the tremendous growth of the Church in the area of San Francisco Bay. It was not until 1927 that San Francisco Stake was organized from the California Mission, not until 1935 that the San Jose Branch became a Ward of this stake.

Since then, the fledgling ward grew into a stake, which in turn grew until it was divided a year ago.

It is fitting that the first bishop of San Jose Ward, Vernard L. Beckstrand, should become president of San Jose Stake, at its organization, and be serving in that capacity at the dedicatory services of the Stake Center. President Beckstrand's counselors are Boyd H. Pulley and William R. Siddoway.

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Frank C. Saunders, University of California student, and his helpmate, Marilyn Mairs. —Photo by Ed Costa

San Francisco Ward

Tables Set For Each Month At Relief Society Opening

By Echo May

The San Francisco Ward Relief Society had an opening party at which a table was set for each month. Those whose birthday fell in January sat at the January table, and so on around the calendar.President Ronald Wright was the creator of this fine idea. The lovely decorating was done by Kay Merrill. Sarah Hammarstrom, M. C.'d for the program in which Roselin Crosby was in charge. Members representing different countries told how a birthday was celebrated in the country from which she was supposed to have come.

San Francisco Ward had two distinguished visitors Sept 20. Dr. Martin Nalder, who is doing such a fine job of teaching the family group in Sunday School. Dr. Nalder visited his mother here before setting up practice of psychiatry in Los Angeles, where his sister Beverly resides. Nadine just returned from Europe. After graduating in June from graduate work in Harvard - Radcliffe program of business Administration, she flew to Montreal, Canada, to join the Brigham Young Travel Study Tour Group of North Europe. They took ship to Scotland and visited 15 major countries and four principalities - even got behind the Iron Curtain where the depressing, unfriendly world was an eye-opener for all of them. When they found a little bar of soap cost a dollar, they decided to be glad they were Americans of free America.

Women Honored

Lydia Bell, one of the seven women honored at the Relief Society Birthday Party this year, went back to her home state of Georgia. She is digging out all the family history and names she can find to fill in the genealogy records of her people. She is a recent convert of the church.

Your reporter has been away much of the past months. The latest trip was with her sisters, Wave McCracken of Eugene, Oregon, and with Theda Farnsworth, wife of the Palo Alto Stake Patriarch, who drove to the Los Angeles Temple, where many real miraculous things happened to them, both in the temple and out of the temple.

Brother Ray Law, now working in the temple, sends his best regards to all in the Bay Area and we met Brother Willis, one-time San Francisco active member and Brother Howard McDonald who asked to be remembered to all who remembered him.

Two big events took place in

Concord Ward

Pacific Grove Home For Fittses

Mr. and Mrs. Jay William Fitt are now at Pacific Grove, Calif., following their marriage in the Salt Lake Temple September 24, receptions and numerous showers.

Elder Fitt and Penelope "Penny" Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max L. Jones of 1085 Peach Place, Concord, following the temple marriage were honored at a luncheon at the Hotel Utah. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Cleon Fitt of 1407 Babel Lane, Concord.

The night before the marriage an open house was given for the young couple at the Salt Lake City home of the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jones. A reception held at the Concord Chapel September 26. Judy Jones, sister of the bride, was maid of honor; Bud Jones (no relation) was best man; bridesmaids were Bonnie Uffens, Kathy Forbes, Esther Carlson and Elsie Mills, and ushers were Jeff Jones and Steve Fitt.

San Francisco Ward August 30: The graduates of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood Study Group under Patriarch Winters' instruction were recognized in San Francisco Ward: Mary and Bill Morrison, Rosa Cohen, George Kaides, Nancy and Kris Rasmussen, Iris Kendricks, Jess Nielsen and that stalwart leader Kenneth Clew of the Bishopric. The Primary graduates were accepted into the MIA organization.

Ward Changes

Ward changes and additions during September:

Alvus L. (Al) Wayman is now Scoutmaster and to do his job with top efficiency, Al is going to Golden Gate Training Troop 2 for basic training as a Scoutmaster.

William P. (Bill) Agard is Al's Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 91. Thomas Call is a new San Francisco Ward Teaching Supervisor. George J. Kaides is new Explorer Advisor Post 91. The Hawaiian group went to Sacramento to put on their entertainment.

Joyce Melville and Julia Barber have become new teachers in the Sunday School. David Alger was made a Deacon and Michael W. Daily, 1st Counselor of the Quorum. James E. Daily, Jr., was made president of the Teachers' Quorum. Nancy J. Hamer was baptized and confirmed a member of the Church.

Mrs. Lee Rutherford was baptized by the Northern California missionaries. Little Sister Diane lost by death the companionship of her father, James Herbert Rutherford, but now her mother, Sister Lee Ward Rutherford takes over that companionship.

Hilma and Kenneth Glew have seen their last child wed. Everly became the bride of T. Jordan Powell in Salt Lake Temple, August 17, 1959. She made her own wedding dress, a lovely creation of satin and Chantilly lace. Jordan graduated from U. S. F. in June. The new T. Jordan Powell family is being transferred by General Electric, for whom Jordan works, to Richard, Washington , the end of October. The well-wishes of the whole ward go with this fine young couple.

Another of our active young ladies has become a bride. Marilyn Mairs, daughter of John and Alvina Mairs, took her vows with Frank C. Saunders in the Los Angeles Temple on Sept. 17. She made her own beautiful wedding-gown of delustered satin and applique lace. Frank, son of ex-Bishop of Beverly Hills Ward, Mervin and Frances Saunders, temple workers, is working his way through University of California, to become an electronics engineer. He works for the RCA radio. A reception was held in the new husband's home ward of Westwood. Marilyn's Maid of Honor was her sister, Kathy, and her bridesmaids were Caroline Saunders. Frank's

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MR. and MRS. JAY WILLIAM FITT

The bridegroom had two years at Brigham Young University and just returned from serving a mission in France. He is now at the Army Language School in Monterey. The bride is a graduate of Diablo High School and has been living in Europe with her parents for the past year. The family returned from Europe for the wedding.

The bride's gown and shoes were made on the Island of Mallorca. It was of heavy white silk satin with Empire waist, had a top raised flower design on damask, three-quarter sleeves, a boat neck, fingertip veil, white short gloves, a crown of roses matching the dress material. She carried white rose buds, lily of the valley and carnations.

The bridesmaid's dress was of bule tafetta; the maid of honor, blue brocade; the mother of the bride, gold satin brocade; the mother of the bridegroom, blue brocade sheath.

Jill Jones, sister of the bride, was in charge of the guest book. Bridesmaids were entertained at luncheon at the El Nido. Numerous showers for the bride were given in the Concord area.

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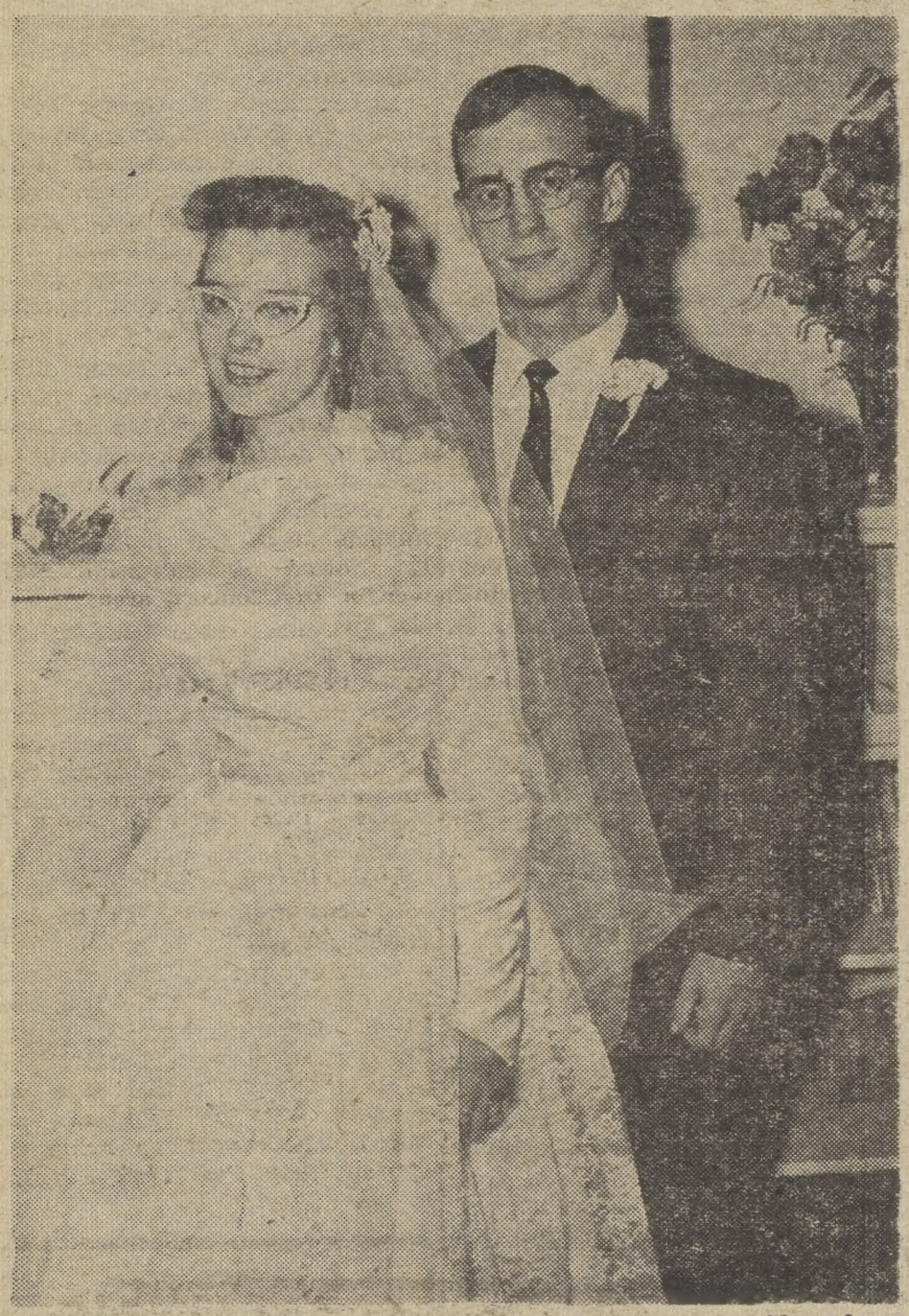
The Primary graduation class, backed by their Bishop Scoville, in recent rites at San Francisco Ward. Left to right, Arta Lynn Johnson, Linda Yoshinaka, Sandra A. Clark. Pamela Anderson and Gay Lynne Goodrich, now MIA members. —Photo by Milford Connell.



T. Jordan Powell, General Electric engineer, and Everly Glew, have said "I do." —Photo by Bob Collins

Los Altos Ward

Los Altos Elders Need Woodsmen

The Los Altos Ward Elders quorum, assigned the responsibility of serving as woodcutters in the tristake recreation area, is finding that there's lots of timber in "them thar hills' as well as elsewhere where clearings are to be made. Through ingenious engineering in using an old automobile engine to power a small sawmill, ward members have been converting logs of madrone, manzanita, oak, and pine into suitable firewood in convenient fireplace lengths. Most of the logs are from trees pushed over by a bulldozer; others are Timber already down and needing to be cleared away.

Though accepting the assignment with willingness, the Los Altos elders see no early end to this project without more help which they frankly welcome from other quorums, wards, and related sources including investigators who may like to see L. D. S. projects in action. Some 15 picnic and sports areas need to be cleared, plus trees standing in roadways and other locations for which development plans have been made.

A preliminary survey indicates that such areas will yield more than 100 cords of good fireplace wood, available at reasonable cost to brighten family hearths during winter evenings. Persons interested in participating in the woodcutting project or obtaining wood may obtain desired information from Floyd Goates, general manager of the recreation area, or from William Robertson, president of the fourth quorum of elders, Los Altos Ward. Brother Goates is usually at the area on Saturdays and may be consulted on other days by appointment.

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sister, a friend of Marilyns, and Emily Salmonson, who flew down with Kathy for the occasion. A second reception was held in San Francisco Ward, Friday, Sept, 26th, for the San Francisco connections of the family.

It is apparently baby season in San Francisco Ward. Jordan and Maureen Glew are the proud possessors of a baby girl, Elaine, who arrived in San Francisco at Kaiser Hospital, 21 Sept. 1959.

Our Chorister, Cherryle S. and William Orrock found a Junior in St. Joseph Hospital in September and Marilyn and Arthur W. Johnson get a Junior at St. Francis while Rita Allen, whose husband is in the service, had a girl at Letterman.

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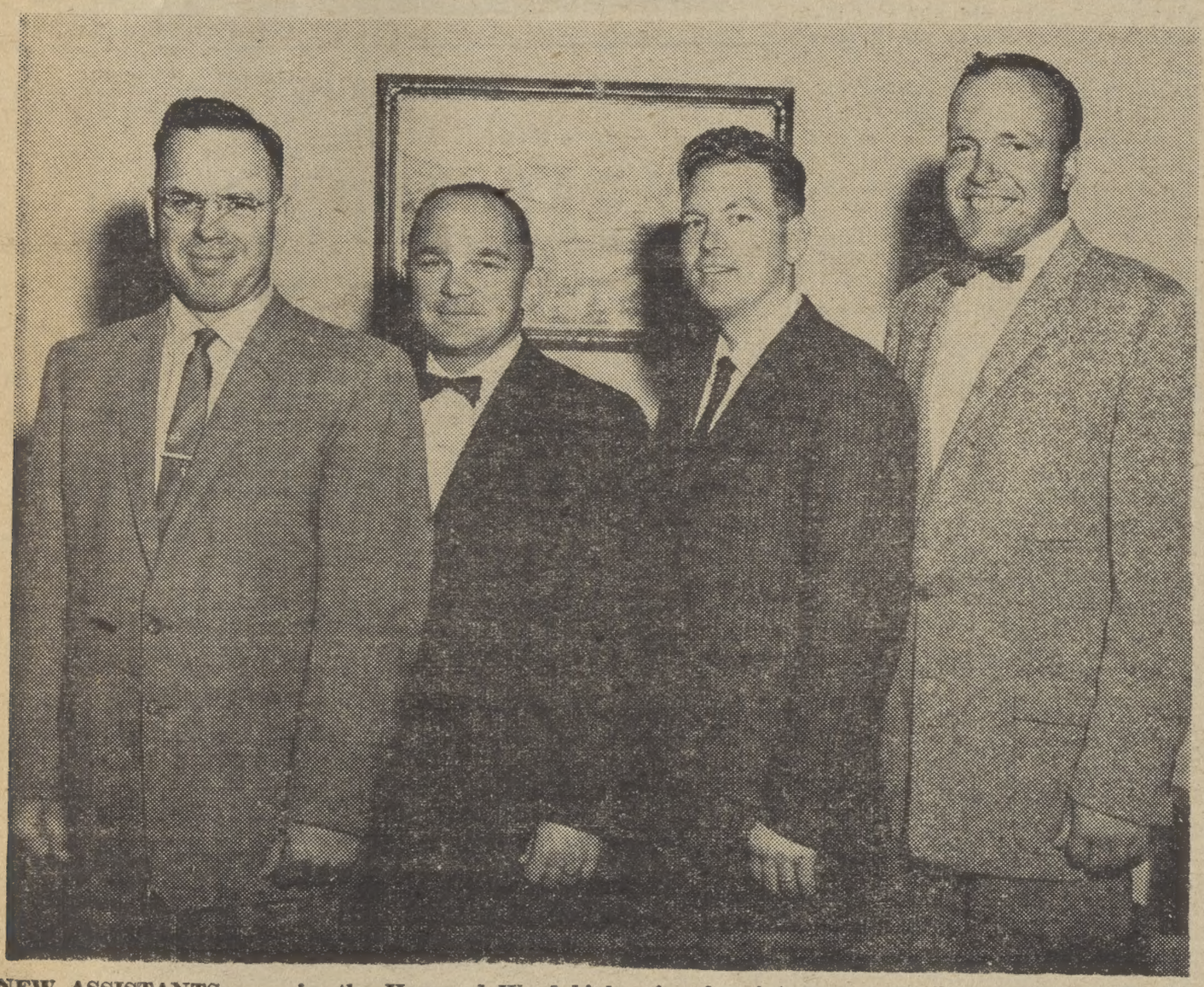
—Photo by Chuck Ruiz.



NEW ASSISTANTS . . . in the Hayward Ward bishopric. Appointed as counselors to Bishop D. Ross McClellen, left are Elders W. Shannon Murphy, second left, and Glen B. Edmunds, first and second counselors while Elder Charles S. Parker, right, will be ward clerk.
—Photo by Al Scheuller.

Los Altos Ward

Triple Project Calls For Big Los Altos Fund Drive

By Dallas S. Burch

A special meeting held in the Los Altos Ward chapel, October 1, marked the launching of a systematic plan to finance three urgently needed ward and stake projects previously approved by the ward membership. One project is participation in the financing of the Tri-Stake Recreation Area of 550 wooded acres in the Santa Cruz mountains. A second is financial support for the construction of a new Palo Alto Stake House in conjunction with the Menlo Park Ward. And the third project is the purchase of a new pipe organ to replace the present old and badly worn electronic organ in the Los Altos chapel.

Called jointly by the Los Altos Ward bishopric and the ward finance committee, the meeting dealt mainly with a review of the needs for the project, their current status, and proposals for making collections over a two-year period. Members present at the meeting received cupon books, providing for monthly, quarterly, or other payment periods, whichever coincides best with a family's financial planning.

Crowded Recreation

In a forceful presentation, Lund A. Johnson of the Palo Alto Stake presidency pointed out that available park areas and other recreation spots on the Peninsula have become badly crowded in recent years. He showed that the property recently acquired by the San Mateo, Palo Alto, and San Jose stakes has many business as well as recreational potentials. Among the former he cited opportunities for profitable forestry and the sale of wood, fruit raising, and rentals of recreational facilities to other organizations.

Bishop Keith E. Garner of the Menlo Park Ward discussed progress on the construction of the new Palo Alto Stake House including architectural features such as a commodious recreational hall, baptismal font, and many details, ading up to a total cost of $470,000.

Bishop Gerald W. Sharp of the Los Altos Ward described the organ situation, compared different types of instruments, and paid tribute to the skill of ward organists in covering up for the increasing imperfections and limitations of the present old electronic organ.

Don L. Cotterell, chairman of the Los Altos Ward Finance Committee discussed the financial aspects of the three projects, the foresight of leaders in anticipating future needs, the satisfactions to be derived from responding with support, and the joy of attaining goals and participating in the benefits. The combined cost of the projects to Los Altos Ward members was announced as approximately $25,000 to be payable over a 24-month period. The collection rate of slightly over $1,000 a month is derived from the several hundred families in the ward. A question-answer period was announced but no questions were raised. The concluding hymn was appropriately Put Your Shoulder to the Wheel."

Los Altos Ward

Help Needed For Water System

Prompt development of an adequate water system in the tri-stake Recreation Area in the Santa Cruz mountains received emphasis by its general manager, Floyd Goates, at a recent priesthood meeting of the Los Altos Ward, which has primary responsibility for this project.

Water for swimming, irrigation, picnic use, and sundry other needs such as concrete work depends on piping the available abundant supply to various outlets in accordance with engineering plans already approved but still far from completion.

Metal pipes and fittings, in various sizes, are now on the property. The chief current need is for workers willing and able to do the necessary work of installation. "This is a primitive area and much of it is to be left wild," brother Goates explained, "but, in the recreation spots and other places to be developed, plenty of water in the right places is necessary for the best use and greatest enjoyment of the area. Plans call for suitable storage tanks, systems of piping with adequate numbers of hydrants and faucets, and maintenance of the hydraulic ram already in use.

Brother Goates mentioned that work assigned to other wards of the three stakes is either completed or well advanced and reminded the Los Altos brethren that early completion of the water system is the key to most of the recreational uses. Several members unfamiliar with the water project requested explanation and publicity regarding its importance as a basis for recruiting volunteer workers to hasten completion of the job.

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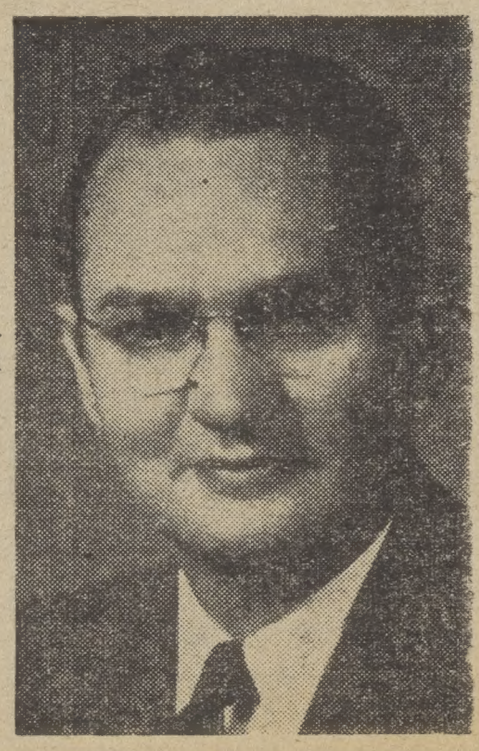

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San Francisco Stake

Board Visitors Primary Convention

Sisters Thelma B. de Jong and Catherine A. Rich, members of the Primary General Board, spoke Oct. 17. to the San Francisco Stake Primary Convention. Their inspiring and interest-packed talks and demonstrations were on the theme: "Enlightened Leaders Communicate." Both sisters gave strong testimonies of the inspired program of the Primary organization.

The program was conducted by Stake Primary President Claire Engel, with Willard Barton and B. Herman Schettler, of the Stake Presidency, presiding.

New Stake President Irven G. Derrick commented that the day's activities were "a source of inspiration, and too good to miss."

One of the highlights of the well-attended program was a trio, "The Teacher's Prayer," sung by Sisters Donna Peterson, Billye Burnett and Barbara Hyer.

There was a good representation from all Ward and Stake Board Members, together with an unusually large attendance of Priesthood members.

Fireside Enjoyed By Singles Club

Many of our single people over 25 are missing the opportunity to have a lot of fun through the Singles Club activities. For example, so far this month we have had a fireside and dinner dance. Brother Elias Castle was the speaker at the fireside and his talk on the devil provoked much interest and discussion after. All who attended felt they had been well rewarded for having been there. As usual, the food was excellent at our dinner-dance. The dance was fun too, but there was room for a larger crowd. At both of these activities there were about 30 in attendance.

There are more who are eligible for our club and many who are not aware of its existence. The only way the club can be successful is by the full cooperation of all of you. Remember, you dont have to come alone. Bring your friends with you. Where else could you spend an evening of dancing for so little? We might mention that our music is outstanding. Leon Paulson has spent many hours recording some of the best bands on his tape recorder.

Each month we try to have a variety of activities. On November 1, we had our fireside. Curt Johnson of the Oakland Fourth Ward was the speaker. Besides our two dances, on the 14th and 28th, a theater party is being planned.

Our monthly mailer will give further details. If you are not receiving a mailer contact Claire Judd, 3029 60th Avenue, Oakland, LO 2-7142.

Claremont Ward

Lively Programs Given At Ward

By Betty Moss

A busy year for the Claremont Ward Relief Society was begun with a breakfast meeting Sept. 29. A large crowd turned out for a delicious breakfast served in the sky room by the Relief Society presidency. A preview of this year's lessons was presented by Dauna Sandmire, theology teacher, Betty Moss, literature teacher and Beverly Wotherspoon, social science teacher. Ardath Christensen played a piano selection, and Lily Blackburn sang.

The first work meeting of the year was made considerably more enjoyable by Eva Harker, who presented a book review, "Green Grows Ivy," by Ivy Baker Priest. A pot luck luncheon was served.

MIA Progress

Activities in the M.I.A. are moving right along. Drama awards were presented for the first time in Claremont Ward and the Oakland-Berkeley Stake. Lamont Bench, drama director, presented the awards to nineteen people, all of whom had participated in at least three performances, serving in at least two different capacities. Special awards were given to Peggy Beal and Myrtle Snarr for outstanding and long service. Others who received awards were Peggy, Robert, and Ernie Ahlborn, Dorothy Bench, Ron Blackburn, Norman Jones, Corin and Rita Hancock, Kathleen Leighton, Judy Pennock, Ross Ribarich, Anne Reiche, Carol and Robin Stoddard, and Marlene and Arvin Springthorpe.

Deadline for submitting an original script for the next one-act play is Dec. 15. Everyone is encouraged to submit their endeavors to LaMont Bench.

The M. I. A. was also responsible for the Oct. 16 turkey dinner. Norma Thinger served capably as general chairman of the event which boasted a dinner of turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes, cranberry salad, peas, rolls, pumpkinpie and ice cream. Halloween decorations were prepared by Norma and Louanna Ribarich. Turkeys were cooked by Violet Wadsworth, Florence Heald, Mary Kassow, and Donetta Madsen. "Cass" Kassow stuffed all the turkeys with a special dressing the recipe for which has been handed down in the family. The kitchen was under the direction of Delight Stephens, and Bill Pennock was turkey carver. Wendell Evensen and Don Sargent were in charge of table arrangement. Bob Lowe showed two movies afterward which pleased the kiddies and undoubtledly gave a few nightmares.

Young Marrieds

The new Young Marrieds Mutual class lead by Carolyn and Don Sargent has created quite a bit of interest among the young couples of the ward.

The M.I.A. would like to extend a special invitation to all to come out and enjoy the new program. An activity period is now held every Tuesday night. Activities include dramas, music, dance, and special outings and parties.

Our senior basketball team was presented the sportsmanship trophy for last year. With the season starting again, the team is looking forward to games every Wednesday evening at the Interstake Center.

The ward is pleased with the ordination of two new Elders — "Cass" Kassow and Byron Thinger. Both are recent converts.

Our young people are at it again! To support their forthcoming excursion to the Temple on November 27, they have held two cake sales and are selling donuts every week.

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Walnut Creek Ward

Bishop Bickley Back From Training Trip To Detroit

By Lois H. Butler

The ward is happy to have Bishop Mark E. Bickley home from Detroit where he has been the past several weeks taking additional training in electronic equipment for the Burrows Company. His counselors say they are happy that the bishop can again assume his leadership of the ward.

Brother Charles Bary Tillman went to Hawaii with plans to visit his daughter and family for a month or so but now his stay will be extended since he has been sustained as ward clerk of Nanikauli Ward, Oahu Stake, with his son in law as the bishop.

Doctor Preston Thompson, wife, and four children have moved to Walnut Creek from Concord to practice medicine. It's good to have another L.D.S. doctor in our community. Doctor Thompson will teach the Parent Youth class in Sunday School. The teacher training class began Nov. 1, with Robert D. Anderson as instructor. Brother Anderson is well qualified to teach this class since he is a teacher at Miramonte High School and chairman of the Social Science Department there.

The ward, and particularly the Mutual, regret the loss of Robert and Rosemary Williams and little Douglas when they moved to Sacramento. Bob was Mutual Superintendent and Rosemary was age-group counselor. The Mutual has undergone many changes this past month starting with the new superintendency, Robert H. Chesworth. Bob is an experienced Mutual man and likes working with the young people. Bob Craig and Franklyn Brown remain as counselors. Rula Gengler is the new age group counselor with Gwen Christiansen as assistant to activity counselor, Grace Johnson. LaVon Pardini is drama director with Sharon Evans Jacobson as assistant. Yvonne Phillips is dance director; Ruth Mauss, beekeeper; Bonnie Bertagnolli, music director; and Marcia Jensen, organist.

Jaunita Hazlitt and family moved here recently from Hawaii and is living with her mother, Ruby Adams. The Hazlitt baby was blessed this month.

Hilton Reports

Brother John Hilton of the bishopric attended General Conference and upon his return gave an inspiring report at the Ward Family Night meeting.

Max and Marie Gilbert with sons, Wayne and Bruce, have moved to Utah for business reasons. Although we will miss them we know they will be happy to be near their children and grandchild who live there.

We extend a warm welcome to Brother James Graffman who was baptized by the stake missionaries. Thural Mortensen and family just moved into the ward and already have been put to work, Thural in the Sunday School and Athleen in the Guide Patrol. They have two small children.

Richard T. Winegar, Beth, and their four children have moved here from Bountiful, Utah, so Dick could take an executive position with Mayfair Markets. Dick was in the bishopric in Bountiful while Beth worked in Relief Society.

Welcome is extended to the following new families: Clifford A. and Beatrice Taylor with two children; Herbert William Hahn, wife Fern, with three boys; Carol Jean Perkins and two children; Gayle Ewell Anderson and two children.

The Nico Snels are looking forward to the arrival sometime in November of Nico, Jr., wife Caroline, and their two small children. Nico Jr. just concluded his military service in Germany where he was a member of the Army band. The Snels upon arrival in New York will visit Nico's grandmother, Helena Snel, at Albany, New York and then will spend some time in Salt Lake City with Caroline's parents, Verden and Ada Thurgood. They plan to make their home in Walnut Creek while Nico, Jr. goes to school, majoring in music.

My Testimony

By Mabel B. Liddell

While visiting the San Francisco Stake Conference in October, Elder Alma Sonne, Assistant to the Council of the Twelve Apostles, related the following heartwarming incident:

"As I was leaving for a tour of the Central Atlantic States Mission a few years ago, I called to see my uncle who was then eighty seven years old. He had served a mission in the Southern States in his youth. He was anxious to know if I would visit the city of Ashville in North Carolina. I asked him why he was interested in that particular place. 'That's where I failed,' he stated, 'and I have worried about it for sixty years.'

"He then told me his story.

In Tennessee

"My companion and I were laboring in Tennessee, near Chattanooga. We were doing missionary work in the country without purse or scrip. It was in the day of cruel mobs and persecution. We received a letter from President Elias Kimball directing us to leave immediately for Ashville, North Carolina, to start a branch of the Church in that city. He was sending our personal belongings on to that location.

"We walked the entire distance to Ashville — and arrived many days later, weary and footsore, with our clothing threadbare and our shoes badly worn. We went to the express office for our packages of clean clothing to find that there was a sixty five cent charge due and the clerk would not release them without money. We discussed means of raising sixty five cents and finally decided to go direct to the bank and ask the president. After a long wait he decided to see us and hearing our story he said that he admired our courage at any rate. He gave us one dollar.

Started Working

"We got our clothing, cleaned up and began working in Ashville. We walked the streets there for days and then weeks without being received in a single home. One lady, who kept a boarding house, accepted our tracts and a Book of Mormon. Thoroughly discouraged, I wrote my mission president requesting a transfer. I told him that the people in Ashville wanted nothing of us. We were sent to another area where I finished my mission, but I could never dismiss the feeling that I should have stayed in Ashville."

"In company with President and Mrs. Claude W. Nalder I toured the mission and with them visited Ashville. About 400 people assembled in the City Hall to hear us. When it came my turn to speak I told them what my uncle had said.

"After the meeting a young lady, Sarah Israel, came to me to introduce herself. She said that her grandmother was the lady who had received the Book of Mormon and the tracts from my uncle. Only two weeks before this occasion she had received some precious family records from her grandmother who made her promise that she would take over this work for the family.

"I eagerly asked, 'Did your grandmother join the Church?'

First Member

"My grandmother was the first member of the Church in Ashville,' she answered. 'she explained the gospel to her family and close relatives in the city and we now have more than one hundred people belonging to the Church here. Go back and tell your uncle that he did not fail! Express our gratitude to him for the wonderful work he did here.'

"You should have seen the smile of satisfaction on the face of my uncle when I gave him her message, but he insisted that he had failed. He said, 'I failed — I quit, but the Lord kept on directing the work which I started.' "

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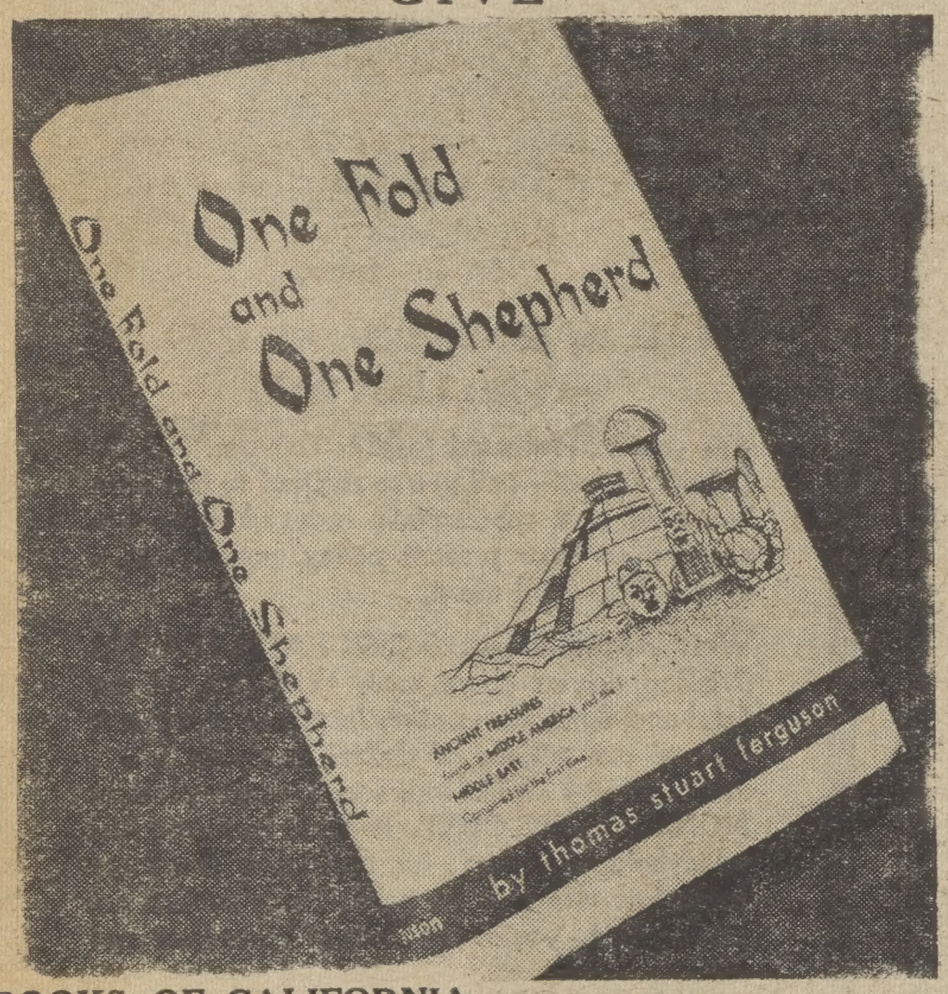

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Oakland Ward

Pyne and McKeen Engagement Told

The forthcoming marriage of Marilyn Louise Pyne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Pyne of Oakland Ward, and Everett Edwin McKeen Jr., was announced recently. He is the son of the former Piedmont residents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett E. McKeen, now residing in Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Friends learned of the popular couple's engagement at an open house at the Sea View Ave. home of the Pynes in Piedmont. A heart shaped flower arrangement included the names of the engaged couple.

Both Marilyn and Ev are graduates of Piedmont High School and the University of California.

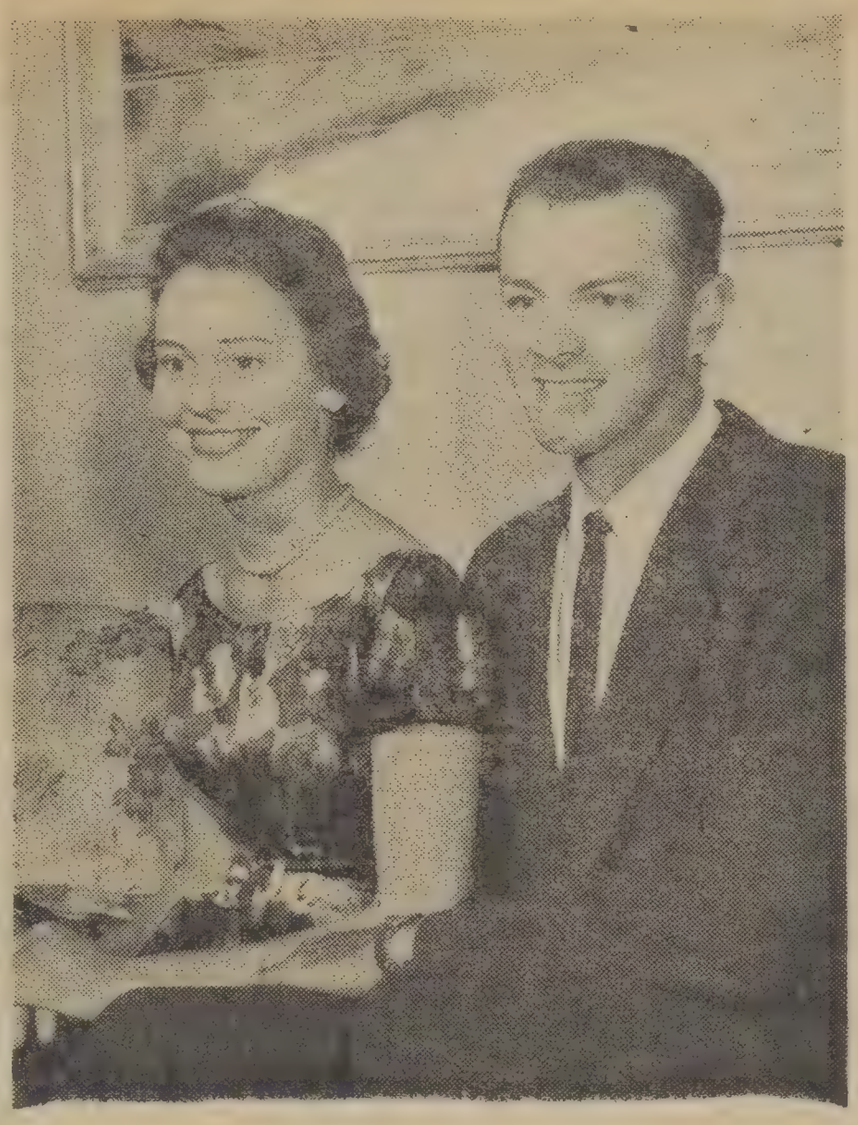
In high school Marilyn was a member of the Magnolia Branch of the Children's Hospital of the East Bay and Junior Assistance League. At the U. C. she affiliated with the hospital's Thistle Branch and Delta Gamma Sorority. Since her graduation she has been teaching at Havens Elementary School in Piedmont.

After receiving his degree from U.C. in mechanical engineering Ev took a year of graduate work at Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, Pa. and another at Stanford's Graduate School of Business Administration. He received his master's degree last June.

At Cal he was a member of the varsity basketball team, the California Club and the Golden Bears and was named a member of the class Hall of Fame. At present he is on active duty at Fort Ord Army Base until January.

The young couple plan to be married early next spring.

Marilyn has two younger brothers, Tom, attending College of the Pacific, and Alfred, at Piedmont Junior High School. Ev's older brother, Robert, is married to the former Estelle Knowland and resides in the East Bay; a younger brother, Kenneth, attends high school in Mt. Lebanon.



Marilyn Louise Pyne and Everett Edwin McKeen, Jr.

Three New Leaders Appointed To Hayward Ward Positions

Changes in the Hayward Ward Bishopric were announced at the recent quarterly conference by President Milton P. Ream. Elder W. Shannon Murphy was named first counselor from his position second counselor to Bishop D. Ross McClellan. Called to be second counselor was Elder Glen B. Edmunds. Elder Charles S. Parker was appointed Ward Clerk.

Elder Murphy is a native of Ogden, Utah, but did not receive the Gospel until he was visited by missionaries when he and his wife, Ladene moved to Hayward in 1950. Since his baptism he has served on the genealogy committee, Aaronic priesthood secretary, Ward Teaching supervisor, choir director, ward statistical clerk, ward clerk, bishop's second counselor and now first counselor. counselor, advisor of priests' quorum, ward clerk and his present position.

Oakland Man

Raised in Oakland, Brother Murphy, attended local schools, served in the U. S. Coast Guard in World War Two and is employed as a salesman. He and his wife are the parents of a son, Dennis.

Second Counselor Glen B. Edmunds, born in Manti, Utah, is a graduate of the University of Utah, with a B. S. in Science Education. While serving in the U. S. Air Force he attended the Syracuse University in New York and spent a year in Turkey. He did graduate work in the University of Utah and is now teaching science and mathematics in Castro Valley high school.

In 1952 he met Gweneth Passey while attending the Institute of Religion and they were married n the Salt Lake Temple by Elder Ezra T. Benson. Among his many Church positions Elder Edmunds has served as YMMIA activity

4-Year Member

Elder Charles S. Parker joined the Church about four years ago. He has since served as secretary and counselor and Scout Master of YMMIA. A native of Highland, New York, Elder Parker was in the armed forces and served in the European Theater during World War Two.

Married to Ada Eleanor of Stockton, California, they are the parents of two sons, Glenn Sargent, 8, and Steven Bowen, 6. and live at 22883 Arnold Court Hayward.

A Breakthrough! Man Wins Prize At Fashion Show

Although only five men were salted in among 225 women at the fashion show sponsored by the Redwood City Ward Primary Saturday October 10, one of the five won a door prize. This should be an inducement for men to attend such functions more frequently. The women will need no urging to go the next time Macys of Hillsdale and the Primary team up to stage a show. Exciting fashions in lingerie, sports clothes, afternoon and evening clothes modeled by Primary personnel drew applause from the appreciative audience.

In fact everyone was pleased with the event including the bishop who got the proceeds for the ward welfare fund.

Models were Francis Hill, Georgene Jones, Alma Brew, Vervene Jones, Shirley Stokes, Thelma Curtis, Ethel Enger, Jean Marvin, Vida Ross, Pat Sundwall, Henrietta Harris, Francis Judd, Lynn Enger, Judy Alsop, Sue Harris, Cynthia Jones, Richard Jones, Kathy and Debbie West, and one brave man, Harvey West.

Music was furnished by Adele Neilson,, Nadine Clark, Colleen Rock, and Barbara Wallace.

The affair was under the direction of Primary President Henrietta Harris. Commentator was Audrie West. Other committee members were Shirley Stokes, Francis Hill, Barbara Wallace, Georgene Jones, Norma Jean Austin, and Vervene Jones.

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SIX BISHOPS who have occupied the pulpit of Redwood City ward since the ward's beginning assemble at reunion. They are (front row) W. Yates Farnsworth, center, first Branch President and first Bishop when the ward was organized in 1941; James P. Johnson, left, 1945-47; Louis H. Osterloh, right, 1947-54; (back row). Willian R. Callister, center, 1954-57; William D. Brew, 1957-59, left; and right, the present bishop, John G. Weaver.

Redwood City Ward

Bishops Gather Tell Of Growth, Changes In Ward

By Gay Taylor

It was a night of memory as all six of the bishops who have guided Redwood City ward from its beginning assembled in the ward chapel, together with ten of the counselors who have served during that period, for dinner and a discussion of changes that time has wrought.

It was December 4, 1938 - only yesterday, it seems - that Redwood City Branch was organized with W. Yates Farnsworth as President. Some of the meetings were held in the homes of members; then a hall was rented for Sunday School. And on October 5, 1941, President Farnsworth became Bishop of the newly-organized Redwood City ward.

Hall Purchased

Fire forced the ward from the rented hall, so the members purchased Liberty Hall, that had led a varied existence, and converted it to better use. This served until 1953.

James P. Johnson, who had been Sunday School Superintendent, became the next bishop, and was succeeded by Louis H. Osterloh. Meanwhile the ward grew out of Liberty Hall, and again a meeting place was rented while work began on a new ward chapel.

Growth was so rapid that plans were changed after construction was begun. Another bishop's office was constructed. And, when the chapel was dedicated February 26, 1959, the ward had been divided, with William R. Callister the bishop of the original ward.

William D. Brew became the next bishop, serving until September 20, 1959, when John G. Weaver was sustained.

The bishops have included a mechanical engineer, a contarctor, a railroad ticket agent, two auditors, and a personnel officer for the Navy.

At the table were ten counselors who had served through the years, George W. Rose, P. G. Taylor, John A. White, Myron R. Brown, Robert L. Enger, Rondo B. Chatterley, Lynn M. Austin, Russell D. Rock, Clifford E. Warner and Evan J. Marshall.

Wives Important

In attendance also were the wives who had so often attended to detail work of their husband's Church calling while the breadwinner was at work. Prime qualification for an able member of a bishopric is an able wife.

Inevitably as the evening progressed, talk turned from the past to the future. The ward has grown until another division seems eminent. Another chapel will be built. The stake itself divided several times since the ward began. Memories are precious, but future plans more exciting. And, in or out of office, Church work never ceases for these people.

Redwood City Ward

Leaders Chosen For Top Jobs

Scratch a personnel officer for the Navy, a railroad communications supervisor, and office machine mechanic, an insurance man, a printer, and a baby photographer, and you will find one thing in common: they were recently sustained as the bishopric of Redwood City Ward.

John G. Weaver, the new bishop, is from Layton, Utah, a graduate of Davis high school and Utah State College. He married Marcelle Crowley of Ogden in the Salt Lake Temple and there are four children. Carolyn, 12; Steven, 9; Janis, 7; and Ludean, 2.

He served as a lieutenant in the Marine Corps in the South Pacific during World War II, and subsequently became a personnel officer for the Navy, first at Pocatello and then at Treasure Island.

Past Offices

Past Church offices include that of Financial Clerk of the Sunset Ward of North Davis Stake; MIA superintendent, Explorer Advisor and Bishop's Counselor of Redwood City Ward.

He likes fishing and bowling, but the future for those activities loks pretty dim for awhile.

First Counselor Robert E. Enger is from Ord, Nebraska, but attended school at Ogden, Utah, where he married a Mormon girl. He and his wife, Ethel, have four children. Lynn, 16; Robert, 12; Howard, 7; and Raymond, 4. A rather recent convert, Enger and his wife went to Los Angeles Temple last year. He is communications supervisor of Western Pacific Railroad, and in his brief period of being a Mormon has served as Cub Scoutmaster and Sunday school teacher

From Kanab

Rondo B. Chatterley, Second Counselor, is from Kanab, Utah. He married Sonja Egolf of Philidelphia in the St. George Temple. There are three children, Cherly, 12; Susan Elaine, 8; and Lynda, 1. His Church positions have included the offices of Stake Storekeeper and Ward Clerk. He is an office machine machanic, and is, or was, fond of fishing, hunting, and carpentry.

John W. Wise, a printer, is Ward Clerk; with Russell D. Rock, an insurance man, Financial Clerk; and Alonzo D. Bushnell, a baby photographer, Assistant Clerk in charge of ward teaching.

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Sacred Grove

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a testimony and that the people there seemed to take their religion for granted.

As the trip progressed I could see a change in the attitudes of many of the kids as we met more and more opposition to our Church. I could see that they were beginning to realize that they were not the only people in the world and that in some places Mormons were not even liked.

When we visited the heaquarters of the Reorganized Church we found the first opposition to our beliefs. We read their pamphlets and talked with their people and later on the bus, discussed what we were told. To me, a lot of questions were answered. I left Independence, Mo., with a better knowledge of the early history of our Church. Now I know why the majority of the Saints were inspired to follow Brigham Young.

We visited the dead city of Nauvoo and saw the places of importance in our Church history. While in Nauvoo we attended a service in the Presbyterian church.

Palmyra was the city that made me appreciate my religion. As we drove into the village we saw signs in the store windows which read. "Welcome Mormons." We met a gentleman on the streets passing out anti-Mormon propaganda with such statements as "Mormonism is anti-God, anti Christ, anti-Bible." This hurt us all and really upset some of our group.

On the evening following our testimony meeting we all went to the Hill Cumorah Pageant and received a spiritual feast with thousands of others, many of whom were non-Mormons who had driven many miles to witness the presentation.

At dusk came the opening prayer and the beginning of the performance. Music and sound filled the entire countryside. The lighting was fabulous. I will never forget the spirit there as the story of the Book of Mormon was presented. Tears came to our eyes and the testimony of truth burned within us so much we wanted to tell the world of our beliefs.

No one left without tremendous feeling of pride in our membership in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Everyone was quiet and thoughtful and I, for one, was filled with a spirit of peace which I will long remember.

The Rochester Times said something that I really agree with "It is only a pity Khrushchev could not have made his visit to America earlier. He might have sat profitably in the audience."

We followed the Mormon trail into Utah on our journey home. I felt a deep appreciation for our pioneers as I saw their graves and camped in the same country as they had.

It was difficult to part from each other when the trip came to an end. We had become as a family. We had worked together, played together and shared our problems and difficulties. We had strengthened our testimonies together. We parted with the prayer that we would meet again soon. It was an inspirational experience for me and will always be a highlight in my life.

Elder Suico...

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was held Oct. 8. Pot Luck was served. Virginia Hall, Lillian Psuick, and Helen Jonutz gave the program. Outer space games were played with decorations on the same theme. Anne Hoem directed singing.

Young Marrieds

The young marrieds have started a class which will be held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. The first class was held at the home of Colleen Anderson who is the teacher.

The MIA put on the Sunday night program Oct. 11, Jackie Rowe and Shirley Jones were in charge of the meeting.

Wilma Steadman has been made the new First Year Bee-Hive Leader, replacing Marge Scott.

There was a Mutual talent show on the 20th, so many wanted to be in the show that a few had to be disapointed because there just wasn't room for them all. The 27th was the day for the MIA Halloween party, it was costume which always makes it a little more fun. Cider and donuts were served.

The ward Relief Society Opening social was held Sept 27. Brunch was served to a record crowd of 75 women. The food was very good. Pat McNiel played a solo on the piano. Marge Scott gave a reading and Macel Jones sang two solos with Pat McNeil accompanying. It was a wonderful time to get acquainted with all the new ladies in the ward. The officers and teachers for this years Relief Society are Artie Green, president; Ardis Cazier, first counselor; Edna Jibson, second counselor; Marge Silver, teacher topic leader; Myrlene Nelson, secretary; Cecile Truscott, theology teacher; Leanna Burris, Literature teacher; Pat McNeil, social science, Annie Nunes, work director; Wilma Steadman, magazine representative; Marge Miller, chorister, and Grace McOmber, pianist.

Bishop Richardson flew back to Salt Lake City to attend General Conference. His wife Alene contracted pink-eye at the last minute and was unable to go with him. Their son Robby is recovering nicely from his recent illness.

Girls who received their Individual Awards in Mutual this year are Linda Cazier, Carol Jibson, Kathy Turner, Deann Hoem, Ruth Ann Wollenhaup Barbara Silver, Gail Nauman, Janie Furbee, Judy Gordon, Carolyn Nunes, Sybil McNeil, Nadine Hoem, June Golden, Elaine Miller and Rolane Miller.

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Script Mailed To Governor

By Betty Crase

The M.I.A. recently mailed the script from the road show to the governor of Alaska. The theme being "Alaska," they are anxiously waiting to hear if the words and music could be adapted to a state song.

The second annual Charm Show, sponsored by the Young Womens' M.I.A., was held October 17, with Gloria Magleby, president, and Reva MacFarlane and Beulah Wilde, counselors in charge. A colorful harvest theme prevailed, with Horns of Plenty as decorative centerpieces and individual favors with quotations from the Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants and famous authors, at each place.

"How Near to the Angels" was sung by Carma Baldwin of Concord Ward accompanied by Shirley Magleby, formerly of Pittsburg Ward now living in Reno.

The informative talk on "Charm" was given by Wanda Hilton of Pleasant Hills. She had some excellent advice for the teenage guests as well as the ladies. She stressed cleanliness and making the most of our individual personalities.

If each girl would look upon her body as a temple, she would find it impossible to do anything morally or spiritually wrong to mar this beautiful gift from God, she said. Dress modestly, eat sensibly, speak softly, practice sweetness and gentleness on your own family, were some of the suggestions offered by Sister Hilton.

The program was climaxed by a lunch served by the M.I.A. Teachers.

Roger and Shirley Magleby with their two sons and baby daughter, Laurie, born Sept. 20, are visiting her parents, Ray and Mildred Gibbs of Antioch. Brother and Sister Magleby, formerly of Antioch, moved to Reno, last year.

The new school year has brought changes in many families in the Pittsburg Ward and made our young people's group considerably smaller. Among those who left for the B.Y.U. are Gail Gibbs, Elsie Macfarlane, Judy Street, and Karen Nicol. Nancy Hatton left for Snow College and Renee Hunt and Paul Krey for the University of California.

Chandler Now Balboa Bishop

On Sunday, Oct. 4 the Balboa First Ward of the San Francisco Stake was reorganized with Samuel C. Chandler as Bishop, Haldane V. Cashdoller as First Counselor and L. Keith Hurst as Second Counselor. They succeed Bishop Willard B. Barton and his counselors, Ellis J. Raine and Haldene Cashdoller.

Bishop Chandler is City Librarian in Daly City. He was born in Idaho Falls, Idaho, the son of William James Chandler and Mary Nancy Call. He is a graduate of Brigham Young University and of the Library School at George Peabody College for Teachers. His experience includes three years as a teacher in L.D.S. Seminaries and five years as a member of the faculty of the Brigham Young University. In 1949 he married Ruth Darlene Stowell. The couple have three children.

Haldene Vernon Cashdoller is Head of the Central Instruments Branch, Engineering Division, Navy Radiological Defense Laboratory, in San Francisco. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the son of Frank Chester Cashdoller and Ada Friend. He has served for two and one-half years as second counselor to former Bishop Barton. He spent three years in the Sunday School Superintendency.

L. Keith was born in Ogden, Utah, the son of Leonard J. and Flossie Hurst. He is a graduate of Utah State University at Logan, Utah. Presently he is employed with the California Division of Highways as a civil engineer in San Francisco. Brother Hurst has served as Superintendent of the YMMIA for two years and as ward clerk of Balboa First Ward for three years.

Alameda Ward

Members Take Temple Trips

By Gaylene Vincent

Temple work continues to be a dynamic part of the Alameda Ward Church activity. Walter and Vera Soots, accompanied by her sister Rita Lynn, of Salt Lake City, recently went to the Los Angeles Temple to do family sealings. Walter Soots Jr. was sealed to his parents and he and his wife Suzanne and their four children were sealed. Other family sealings were completed. Edna Burke also had her children sealed at the Los Angeles Temple.

The "Young Marrieds" class is just starting out in Alameda under the direction of Granville and Gladys Howland. The group will meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month at the home of Earl and Anna Mae Bundel, 1520 Schiller St. All young married couples are urged to support this new program and women whose husbands are not available please feel welcome to come.

Tom Stam

Tom Stam who has served in the Netherlands Mission the past two years is expected to return home November 19th by plane.

Congratulations to Lynne Dakin and Earl Stark who recently became engaged. They met at Alameda Ward during his navy duty here. After his discharge he will leave for a mission from Covena Park, Los Angeles. Their plans are for a temple marriage upon his return.

The Aaronic Priesthood group, under the direction of Ralph Lane, had a clean up work day at the ward. The work was preceded by a breakfast served at Hatch's Restuarant by Theron Hatch and Emmy Stam. Another work day is scheduled for November.

Robert DeCelle is the new secretary of the Aaronic Priesthood under 21. Jack Daniels is the new deacon advisor.

Visits Daughter

Hazel Bangerter spent a few weeks in Salt Lake visiting her daughter, Loa Cheney and family. Lawrence and Gaylene Vincent spent a week in Salt Lake City visiting relatives and friends and attending a few temple sessions. Clifford and Dorothy Brookes drove to Salt Lake for a weekend to take her mother and sister who have moved there to live. Don and Meda Hughes spent a week in Nampa, Idaho, visiting with their daughter, Elaine Parry and family. Drex and Verla Smith took a quick weekend trip to Los Angeles. John and Carol Durham spent three weeks vacationing at Boulder Creek and Lake Tahoe. Eugene and Lillian Dagley spent most of August and September traveling through the eastern states visiting family and friends they haven't seen for many years. Rodney and Dalles Pocock visited their daughter, Faye Johnson and family in Eden, Idaho. They also visited their son, Rodney in Provo, and a sister in Minerville, Utah.

Attending general conference in Salt Lake City was Bishop Sterling Nicolayson. Mildred Fontano also went to conference and then to Henderson, Nevada to visit her son, Bruce Morgan and family.

The ward members are happy to welcome Gail Slangerup as a member of the church. She has been active in our ward the past two years and follows her sister Signe, who was baptized last year.

A Christmas Cantata titled "The Story of Christmas" is being prepared for December 20 Sacrament meeting under the direction of Eleanor Engel.

Nona Cryan who had a prolonged illness passed away October 5.

Our condolences to Edna Burke and family at the passing of her father, Carl E. Jackson, October 7. He was a member of the Elmhurst Ward.

Oakland Fourth

Ward Offering Food, Bargains

By Vera Johnston

Oakland Fourth Ward is having a huge bazaar and carnival Nov. 6 and 7, at the chapel. There will be a roast beef dinner for $1.50 for adults, less for children. All ward families and their friends are invited. The dinner will be prepared by the elders quorum and served by the young ladies of the YWMIA.

There are real values for sale, objects of art, Christmas items, furniture, rugs, canned foods, bakery goods, clothing, bedding, typewriters, costume jewelry and personalized service certificates. Booths will include tests of skill and a combined Relief Society booth claimed to be the biggest ever.

On Saturday morning, fifty cents will buy breakfast. There will be a whole day for buying goods, having fun at the game booths, and eating the snacks that will be for sale. A large crowd is expected by Dennis Lauper, chairman of the project.

The Mutual Study group recently completed its study of the gospel as taught by missionary methods. The new course of study is "The World's Living Religions." An introduction to Hinduism was given one Tuesday evening, followed by a talk the next week by K. C. Kehemka from Lucknow, U. P. India. The U. C. student held the audience captive with his account of Hinduism.

Hindu Beliefs

Khemka told of invasion of India, geographic conditions, and other factors that affected the beliefs of the people and their way of life. He said that the now outlawed caste system was not a part of the religion, contrary to popular belief. The Hindus do not wear Turbans, but ordinary clothing as we know it, but the Sikhs of northern India wear the Turban as part of their religion, according to Khemka. On Nov. 17, Mr. George Buse will show pictures and tell about the religions of Japan.

The Relief Society held its opening social in September. The program consisted of a vocal solo by La Preal George, piano solo by Eudora Morgan, and previews of lessons presented by the teachers. A luncheon was served to 75 women and children. The Stake Board members present were Sisters Emma Harmon and Mary Burton. On Nov. 10, Ira Call of the Olympic Florist will demonstrate flower arrangements. Plans for a special program in December are being formulated.

The Primary association is selling and taking orders for Christmas cards. Contact Lela Roe and Dee Lamp. If you buy them now they can be addressed and mailed before the rush. When the Primary youngsters were promoted in September the officers and teachers gave them a party.

On Sept. 28, Helen Lauper, Verna Poore, Lela Roe, and Fern Nelson honored Perry Rae Dent with a baby shower at the Nelson home. The Dent's have since received their baby girl. A party to honor Doralee Weaver was given Oct. 14, by Neola Miles and Dee Lamph. The Weavers are still expecting.

Val Owen Beasley, Elaine Silva, Stephen Roy Silva and Kelly Dee Dent were the babies blessed in October. Those who were confirmed into the Church were Henrietta Edna Body, Henry William Body, Donna Raye Hart, Judith Lynn Hart, Richard Allen Larsen and Macey Maxine Neilson.

Dick Savage returned from Fort Gordon, Augusta, Georgia, on Oct. 11. While at the Fort, he received two special certificates, one for outstanding graduate and one for honor graduate, with 97.5 percent on all tests. Because of this honor the Colonel invited Dick to luncheon. Soon he and Vicki Martin will leave for Salt Lake City, They will be married in the Temple on Nov. 9, and will go to Ogden where a reception will be given for them the same evening. One week later, Nov. 16, there will be a reception in their honor in the Oakland Fourth Ward recreation hall.

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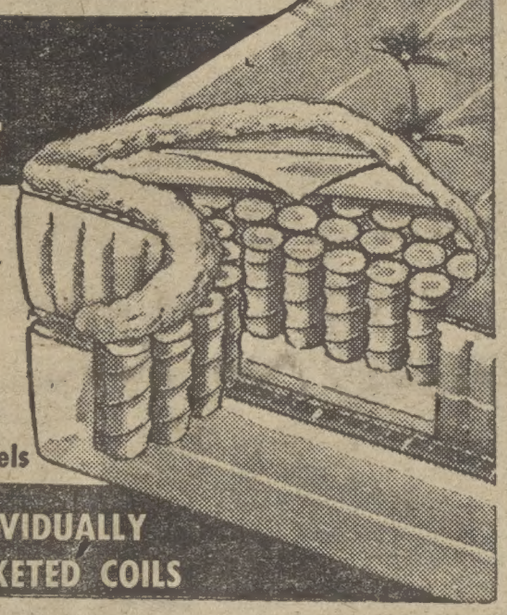

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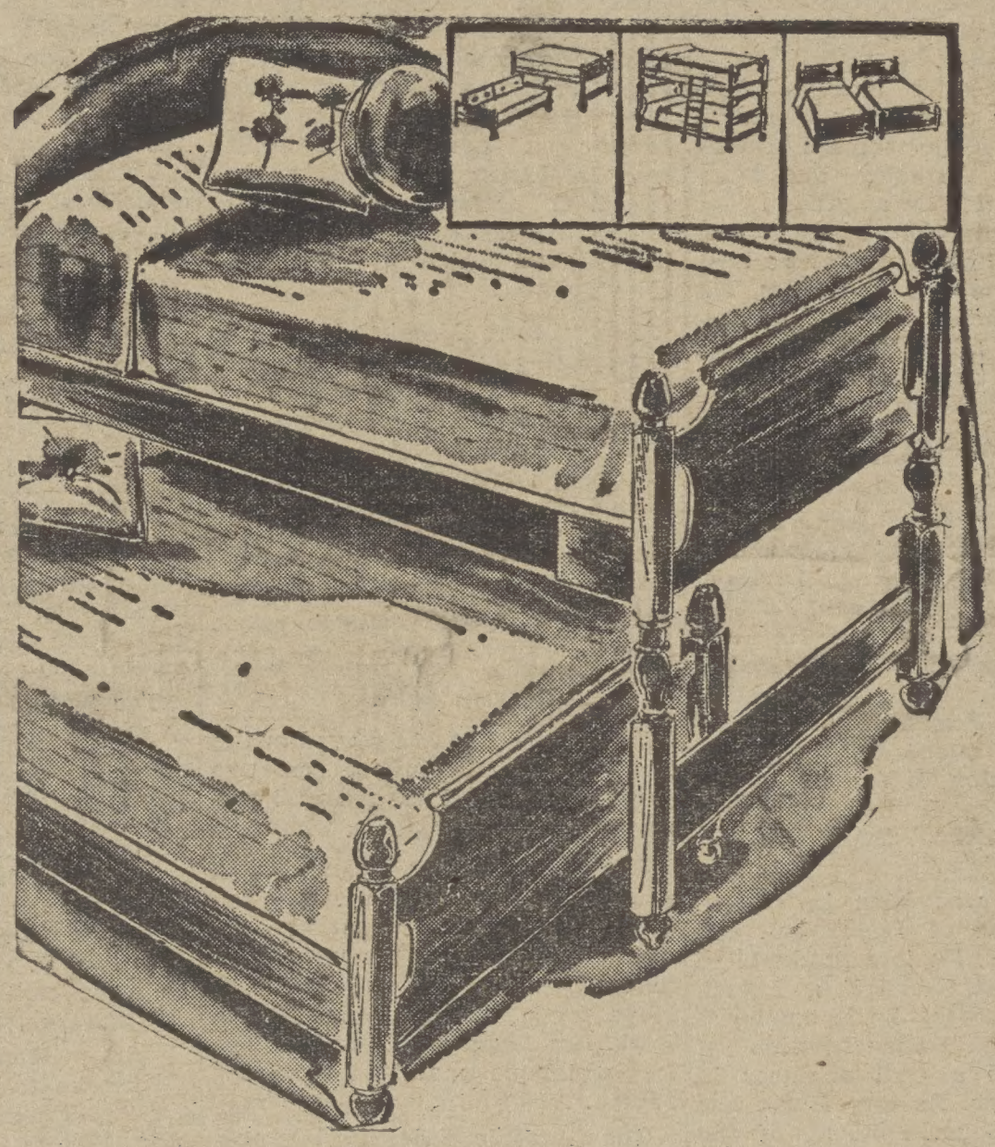

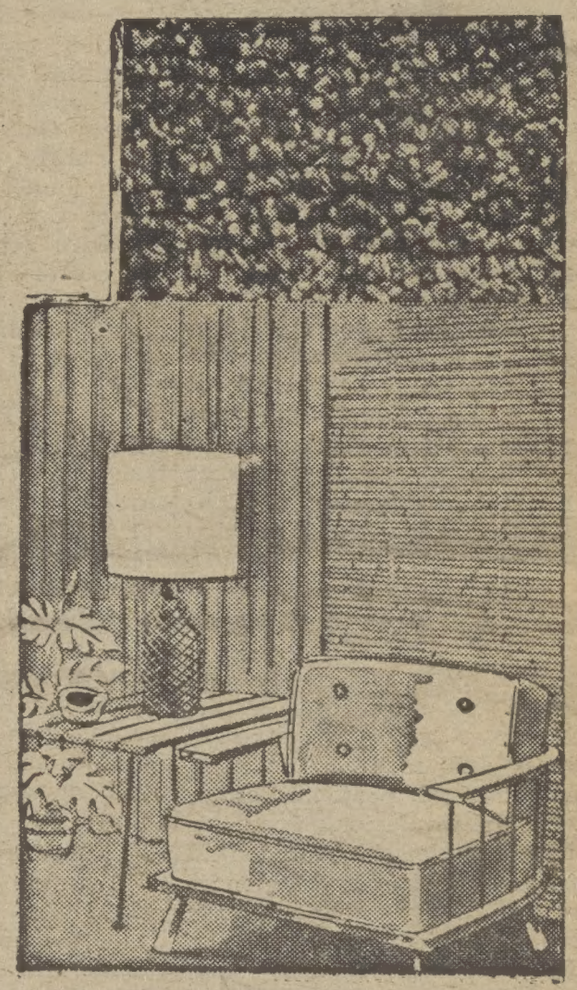

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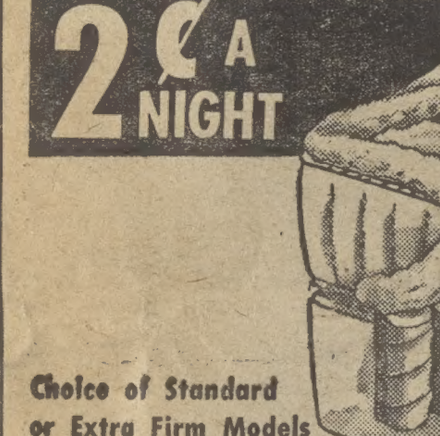

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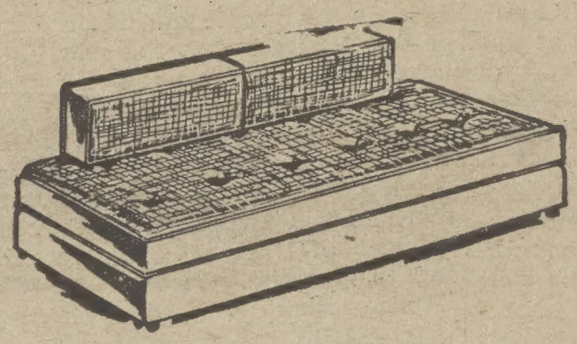

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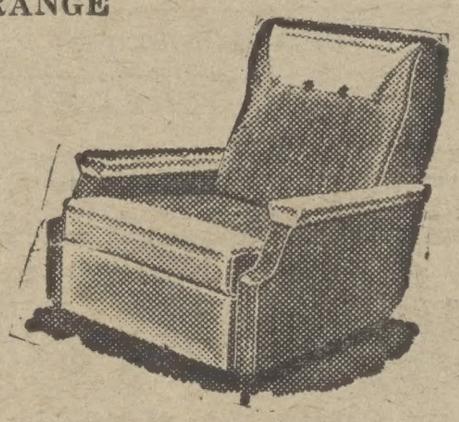

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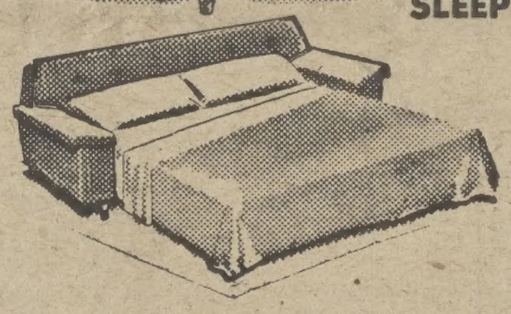

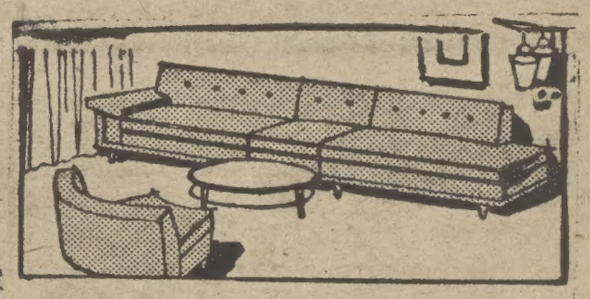

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